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Startup Lisboa



Startup Lisboa is an initiative of the Lisbon City Council, included in the wider strategic umbrella “Lisbon Creative City”, and a part of the city’s entrepreneurial ecosystem. The proposal to set up this incubator stemmed from the Council’s participatory budget of 2009/2010. A private non-profit association, it was founded in 2011 with the support from the bank Montepio Geral and the governmental agency IAPMEI – Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation. It is now a part of an urban regeneration project for Lisbon’s downtown area (Baixa), including the reuse of historical buildings. The most important incubator of the Lisbon network of business incubators, it supports entrepreneurs to develop business ideas that are innovative and ready for the market the market and attracts investment to support the growth of their business process.

According to Lisbon City Council statistics, the results have been impressive so far – the number of incubated startups rose from 45 in 2013 to 200 in 2015, up to 700 new workplaces have been created in 3 years, €5 million were raised by these startups.

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L X F A C T O R Y

LX Factory

Opening the LX Factory was a private initiative. It is a grand 23.000 m² former factory in the Lisbon area of Alcântara, comprising ten buildings ranging from one to five floors.

In 2008, the complex was turned into a creative island for enterprises and professionals, serving also as stage for a diverse set of happenings related to fashion, advertising, communication, fine arts, architecture, music, etc.

Sectors of the 203 enterprises/professionals currently established: architecture; design; catering /restaurants; shopping/leisure; advertising; fashion; visual arts; performing arts; music; new technologies; communication/marketing; photography; publishers; etc.

A key success factor of this project is its concept and management. Apart from the rehabilitation of a derelict urban area for a new use, and the authenticity of preserving the place and using its industrial characteristics as its brand image, the concept underlying the project – a creative island – and the project management strongly contributed to its notoriety and success.

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