ACTION PLAN FOR LITHUANIA

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We are an expert institution that provides government and ministries with the independent, research-based information required to make evidence-based public policy decisions.

**Areas of activities:**

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MANUMIX Policy-Mix

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| **SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH**
  Research; attraction of foreign-based scientists; R&D activities of parallel laboratories | **CAPACITY BUILDING**
  Competence development of R&D personnel | **R&D COMMERCIALIZATION**
  Market launch and full commercial application |
| **TESTING R&D-BASED IDEAS**
  Technology development, prototyping, testing, demonstration | **The most problematic area of policy intervention** |
| **Participants:**
  Institutions of research and education
  University hospitals | **Participants:**
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| **The general final goal of R&D production commercialization is settled** |

The same target group is influenced over the policy process.
Background: main challenges

• The instrument "Promotion of the commercialization and transnationality of R&D results" has not resulted in funding agreements;

• The launch of the "Promotion of activities of centres of excellence and centres for innovation and technology transfer" instrument and "Targeted research in the smart specialization areas" instrument were considerably delayed, not enough allocations;

• The technology transfer and commercialization activities in general are developing slowly. Additional challenges can arise in ensuring proper performance of the policy-mix at the end of financial perspective 2014-2020.
Action 1

Policy instrument “Targeted research in the smart specialization areas” should be directed to a more detailed policy analysis, including analysis of the policy environment, progress, and possible impacts.

- Case study
- Responsible:
  - Ministry of Education, Science and Sport
  - Research Council of Lithuania
  - Independent experts

Learning Journeys:
- Lithuania (3rd Learning pillar: Monitoring and indicators);
- Wales (4th pillar: Evaluating innovation policy-mixes);

Benchmarking: Identifying good practices for innovation policy mix evaluation.
Action 2

Policy instrument “Promotion of activities of centres of excellence and centres for innovation and technology transfer” should be directed to a more detailed policy analysis, including analysis of the policy environment, progress, and possible impacts.

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  - Ministry of Education, Science and Sport
  - Central Project Management Agency
  - Independent experts

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Action 3

Policy instrument "Promotion of the commercialization and transnationality of R&D results" should be directed to raising the amount of project financing.

- Changed financial conditions; more applications and financed projects
- Responsible:
  - Ministry of Education, Science and Sport
  - Agency for Science, Innovation and Technology
- Peer-review process
Action 4

Policy instrument "Promotion of the commercialization and transnationality of R&D results" should be directed to adding consulting and mentoring activity into the policy instrument rationale.

• Changed financial conditions; more applications and financed projects

• Responsible:
  ▪ Ministry of Education, Science and Sport
  ▪ Agency for Science, Innovation and Technology

• Peer-review process
Thank you!