



Project factsheet - Assessment grid

PROJECT OVERVIEW	
Project Ref. No.	DRP0200330
Project title	Danube Region Programme
Acronym	RTIT>>
Priority axis	1. - A more competitive and smarter Danube Region
SO	1.1 - AdvancedTechnologies
Lead partner	Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center Tehnopolis
Lead partner country	Crna Gora (ME)
Lead partner legal status	Public
Project duration	30
Total Interreg Funds	1912976.00
Total Eligible Budget	2391220.00

Project Summary

Materials as a cross-sectional technology are of central importance in the digital and green transition. Materials and material technologies are a key asset in times of geopolitical instability and represent a highly dynamic sectors with tremendous technological challenges and high innovation potential, such as sustainable, smart and responsive materials, advanced composites, surface engineering, lightweighting or energetically optimised materials. The Danube Region (DR) is strong in the production and manufacturing of materials and a key region within the EU to reduce the dependency on markets outside the European continent. The DR countries S3 strategies reflect that ambition clearly. However, the technological challenges, the growing need for sustainability and resilience demand a much higher level of Research, Technology and Innovation (RTI) but foremost a more effective RTI transfer to the business community in order to not only remain competitive but improve the DR position as key player in European value chains. Yet innovation support system as well as RTI management and valorisation policy struggle with finding the right strategies and measures to narrow the gap to European innovation leaders and master the upcoming challenges. RTI institutions do not cooperate (enough) with business support organisations. The lack of sustainable long-term relationships and cooperation with actors from well-functioning RTI support systems prevents access to prospective RTI projects. Administrative fragmentation, lack of human resources and funding in RTI transfer system make the catching-up with EU innovation levels even harder. The transnational cooperation with the innovation leaders helps finding the right strategy and approaches to fasten the catching-up process in RTI transfer and narrow the gap between "East" and "West". Through experience and knowhow sharing from highly innovative regions to moderate and emerging innovator countries, the less developed regions are supported in the introducing new approaches. The RTIT>> consortium will develop and uptake the transnational Action Plan to accelerate RTI transfer in the field of materials and material technologies in the DR that is based on the New Industrial Strategy for Europe (2020), detailing policy measures and actions for decision-makers in academia and business support infrastructure, focusing on capitalising the region's strengths and advantages, and delivering new knowhow to the region on RTI transfer, Design management & knowhow communities. All 11 territorial demonstration partners (MN, SI, BH, BG, HU, UA) will take up the three sets of tools developed, field-tested and validated, through an innovative holistic approach focusing on the three components of RTI transfer: the transfer itself, design management and knowhow communities. It is RTIT>> objective to strengthen the innovation potential of SMEs in the field of material/material technologies by improving the collaboration of SMEs with RTI partners and creating respective networks. We will build up knowhow

communities, introduce new RTI to market as well as market pull of RTI mechanisms and support SMEs in commercialising RTI through design management. By creating better framework conditions and structure for RTI transfer in a key technology area such as materials/material technologies, RTIT>> contributes to resource-efficiency, sustainability and digitalisation, and strengthens the resilience of SMEs in European value chains.

LIST OF PROJECT PARTNERS

No.	Institution name	Country	Total Interreg funds	Total eligible budget
IEC Tehnopolis	Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center Tehnopolis	Crna Gora (ME)	238400.00	298000.00
CCIS	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia	Slovenija (SI)	235280.00	294100.00
NIC	National Institute of Chemistry	Slovenija (SI)	136776.00	170970.00
Wood K plus	Kompetenzzentrum Holz GmbH	Österreich (AT)	188000.00	235000.00
INTERA TP	Foundation for Innovation and Technology Development (INTERA Technology Park)	Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	134400.00	168000.00
UNZE	University of Zenica	Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	106840.00	133550.00
UoM	University of Montenegro	Crna Gora (ME)	101672.00	127090.00
IP of NASU	Institute of Physics of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine	Ukraine (UA)	91200.00	114000.00
BI	Bayern Innovativ - Society for Innovation and Knowledge Transfer	Deutschland (DE)	198008.00	247510.00
SUFEBBA	Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski"	Bulgaria (BG)	120000.00	150000.00
ARC Fund	Applied Research and Communications Fund	Bulgaria (BG)	109600.00	137000.00
PTE MIK	University of Pécs	Magyarország (HU)	126400.00	158000.00
CCIPB	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Pécs-Baranya	Magyarország (HU)	126400.00	158000.00
TOTAL (EUR)			1912976.00	2391220.00

LIST OF ASSOCIATED PARTNERS

No.	Institution name	Country
ARC Fund	Electric Vehicles Industrial Cluster	Bulgaria (BG)
SUFEBBA	SOFIA TECH PARK JSC	Bulgaria (BG)
IEC Tehnopolis	Ministry of Economic Development and Tourism of Montenegro	Crna Gora (ME)
IEC Tehnopolis	STATE FINANCE INSTITUTION FOR INNOVATIONS	Ukraine (UA)

IEC Tehnopolis	Charity Fundation «EEN-Ukraine»	Ukraine (UA)
CCIS	National Agency for Research and Development	Moldova (MD)
INTERA TP	City of Mostar	Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)
BI	Bavarian Research Alliance GmbH	Deutschland (DE)
CCIPB	National Research, Development and Innovation Office	Magyarország (HU)