LATEST RTD AND INNOVATION DYNAMICS CONCERNING THE DANUBE REGION

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Highlights

The **OPEN Evaluation 2016** conference is approaching and Danube-INCO.NET is organising, in its context, two events both taking place on 25th November 2016, in Vienna:

- Policy Roundtable: which role for science in smart specialisation?
  This roundtable will debate how sound scientific methods can be used for strategy design and the monitoring & evaluation (M&E) of innovation strategies. To discuss practices from different territories taking into account the politics of scientific advice.
- Panel: Evaluating smart specialisation and regional innovation
  This panel (previously announced on this site as Science for S3 workshop: Combining old and new approaches for monitoring and evaluating innovation policies) aims at discussing how we can monitoring and evaluate both problem definition and policy implementation in STI policies with a special emphasis on smart specialisation.

Other News related to our work

- [New project coordinator at Danube-INCO.NET](#)
  Ms Elke Dall, who has successfully coordinated the Danube-INCO.NET initiative from its very beginning, has recently changed position and is now replaced by another senior project manager of ZSI: Mr. Felix Gajdusek....
- [[Event Review] DANUBIONET Open Innovation Event](#)
  The first DANUBIONET Open Innovation Event was held on 6th of October 2016 in Budapest, as a side ev...
  - [Upcoming: DANUBIONET Open Innovation Workshop, Timisoara](#)
- [Danube-INCO.NET Policy Mix Peer Review visit in Serbia](#)
  The whole process of the policy mix peer review is implemented to support the improvement of R&I policy mixes of the ...

Other relevant articles

- [Review of the Danube Transnational Programme: BLUE DANUBE event - Bucharest, 29 September 2016](#)

- [START evaluation questionnaire for EUSDR stakeholders and (potential) project promoters - have your say!](#)

Articles, Reviews, etc.

[Commission proposes research partnership in the Mediterranean - PRIMA](#)
On 18 October 2016 the Commission has presented a proposal for a Partnership for Research and I...

[EU Commission sketches out the route to next research programme](#)
A Science|Business article summarises the main outcomes of a FP9 conference which took place in...

[Cohesion Policy at work: key outcomes of EU investments in 2007-2013](#)
The European Commission has released the findings of an independent evaluation of EU investments don...

[Four months after adoption: the Urban Agenda for the EU is moving fast forward](#)
Commission launches today three new initiatives to help push forward the Urban Agenda for the EU by ...

[Western Balkans Fund starts work in Tirana](#)
Western Balkan countries have built a new bridge of regional and cross-border cooperation through th...

[Western Balkans Joins the European Open Science Agenda](#)
Seven Western Balkans' economies joined the European Union (EU) family in pursuing the EU Open Scien...

[Synergies with Structural funds - "Seal of Excellence" one year on: over 3000 SMEs benefit](#)
Since its launch in October 2015, more than 3000 small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) received ...

[SME Instrument makes its mark with European start-ups](#)
The instrument is slowly turning into one of Europe's most recognised start-up engines, with bets on...

[Interreg Europe: second call projects approved](#)
Interreg Europe monitoring committee has conditionally approved 66 projects out of 211 applications ...

[Policy learning platforms are launched - sign up!](#)
Policy Learning Platforms are a new feature to Interreg Europe to open up the programme's knowledge ...

[You want to find R&D partners easily and for free? Try the unique platform Labs Explorer.](#)
Labs Explorer is a specialized search engine with more than 100 000 referenced labs. It is designed ...

[IRIS - AI Science Assistant](#)
Iris is a research mapping tool. With the AI Science Assistant you can find Open Access research acr...

Event Reviews

[Now available: Exhibitor List for REinEU2016 Conference Bratislava](#)
An international conference completely dedicated to excellence in European science: The REinEU2016 t...

[EUWRC 2016 kicked off: daily reports and webstreamed workshops](#)
The European Week of Regions and Cities has started in Brussels. This is an annual four-day event du...

[Eurostars event 2016: what's best, what's next?](#)
The 2016 Eurostars event took place both in Amsterdam and Brussels on the 12th and 13th of October. ...

[Workshop on Successful Facilitation of Technology Transfer and Commercialization of Research Results in the Western Balkans](#)
A workshop on successful facilitation of technology transfer and commercialization of research resul...

[Materials from the 2nd Austrian EUSDR Dialogforum are available](#)
The event was organised in September bz the Office of the Lower Austrian government together with th...

Visit regularly our [News area](#) on the portal to keep informed.

Funding Opportunities

[First Call for proposals in the frame of the Interreg V-A Slovakia-Hungary Cooperation Programme.](#)
(Deadline: October 31, 2016)
The Hungarian Prime Minister's Office acting as the Managing Authority of the Interreg V-A Slovakia-...

[Visegrad University Studies Grants](#)
(Deadline: November 10, 2016)
University Studies Grants is a grant program targeting accredited higher-education&n...

[Open call for Online S3 regions platform pilot testing](#)
(Deadline: November 11, 2016)
The project ONLINE S3 aims to provide additional support for facilitating the overall process of dev...

[Call for Proposals for a Pilot Project for developing the use of new technologies and digital tools in education](#)

(Deadline: November 14, 2016)
The aim of this pilot project is to identify existing digital learning solutions that can support te...

[Call:User-driven innovation: value creation through design-enabled innovation](#)
(Deadline: November 15, 2016)
With competitiveness being increasingly based on intangibles and a mix of products and services that...

[Tender: Feasibility study into establishing an Austrian RTI HUB in Brussels](#)
(Deadline: November 15, 2016)
The Austrian Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy commissions a feasibility study into ...

[WIDESPREAD-04-2017: Teaming Phase 1](#)
(Deadline: November 15, 2016)
Despite a recent tendency for the research and innovation performances of individual countries in th...

[Submit your COST Action proposal](#)
(Deadline: December 1, 2016)
COST invites proposals for Actions contributing to the scientific, technological, economic, cultural...

[Innovative Training Networks (H2020 MSCA-ITN-2017)](#)
(Deadline: January 10, 2017)
The Innovative Training Networks (ITN) aim to train a new generation of creative, entrepreneurial an...

[Call: Innovations for energy efficiency and emission control in waterborne transport](#)
(Deadline: January 26, 2017)
Waterborne transport still has huge potential in terms of energy use reduction and emission control,...

[Call: Towards 2030 - policies and decision tools for an integrated management of natural resources](#)
(Deadline: February 14, 2017)
To ensure sustainable management of natural resources in the long term there is a need for an integr...

[Call: Bio-based products: Mobilisation and mutual learning action plan](#)
(Deadline: February 14, 2017)
Ensuring that research and innovation in bio-based products and processes is

not only excellent, but...

[Call: Socio-eco-economics – socio-economics in ecological approaches](#)
(Deadline: February 14, 2017)
Based on case studies and representative farm typologies, proposals will involve drawing up an econo...

[Call: Building a future science and education system fit to deliver to practice](#)
(Deadline: February 14, 2017)
Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and aquaculture, together with the bio-based industries, are integr...

[H2020 - Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (MSCA-RISE-2017)](#)
(Deadline: April 5, 2017)
The RISE scheme will promote international and inter-sector collaboration through research and innov...

[Call: Clinical research on regenerative medicine](#)
(Deadline: April 11, 2017)
Translating basic knowledge on regenerative medicine into the clinic is often delayed by the difficu...

[European Economic Area Grants for Romania: Research within priority sectors](#)
(Deadline: April 28, 2017)
The National Authority for Scientific Research and Innovation in Romania, launches the Call for...

[ESPON 2020: Applied Research Activities - Pre-Announcement](#)
(Deadline: September 20, 2017)
The objective of the ESPON 2020 Cooperation Programme is to support the reinforcement of the effecti...

[Call for proposals in Environmental Issues in Czech Republic](#)
(Deadline: December 31, 2020)
Operational Programme (OP) "Environment" 2014-2020 for the Czech Republic is worth more th...

[Call: IPA Serbia in field of environment and energy](#)
(Deadline: December 31, 2020)
The Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II) is the main financial instrument to provid...

[Call: Innovations and Competitiveness Bulgaria](#)
(Deadline: December 31, 2020)

The call is open under the programme: Innovations and Competitiveness Bulgaria. In a relativ...

Call: Interreg Slovenia - Austria in field of environmental issues
(Deadline: December 31, 2020)
The Subject of this Open Call for Proposals is co-financing of projects corresponding to the followi...

Call: Quality of Environment Slovakia
(Deadline: December 31, 2020)
Quality of Environment programme's budget is 4,3 bill. €, of which 1,86 bill. € ...

Call: Regions in Growth Bulgaria
(Deadline: December 31, 2020)
Open call of Structural Funds in Bulgaria.

Call: Transnational network R&D-projects in energy field
(Deadline: December 31, 2020)
EUREKA is a publicly-funded, intergovernmental network, involving over 40 countries. EUREKA's aim is...

Find more funding opportunities available for researchers in the Danube Region here. As for Horizon 2020, please notice that we publish only some of the existing calls. Kindly refer to the participant portal for more related announcements.

Workshops, conferences, etc.

European Economic Danube Forum ´Smart Cities ´
(October 21, 2016 - Göttweig , Austria)
The Danube Economic Forum is organized by the Priority Area Coordinator 8 "Competitiveness of Enterp...

Spreading Excellence and Crossing the Innovation Divide Conference (SECID 2016)
(October 23, 2016 - Brussels, Belgium)
The conference takes place at an important point in time since the ex-post evaluation of the 7th Fra...

Introduction to the COST Framework - Bucharest, Romania
(October 24, 2016 - Bucharest, Romania)

This initiative consists of a series of half-day events where national research communities are info...

[12th PA7 SG meeting](#)
(October 24, 2016 - Belgrade, Serbia)
The 12th SG meeting of the EUSDR Priority Area 7 which will be held on 24 October 2016 in Belgrade ...

[Analytical Research for Industry: State-of-the-art in Europe](#)
(October 26, 2016 - Hamburg, Germany)
The conference will present the state of play, highlight new initiatives in Europe and discuss what ...

[International conference "A University for Europe – Higher Education and European integration"](#)
(October 28, 2016 - Florence, Italy)
On the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the European University Institute (1976-2016) we are plea...

[Berlin Science Week](#)
(November 1-10, 2016 - Berlin, Germany)
The Berlin Science Week brings together excellent academics and their institutions from all over the...

[Training School on Electromagnetic Modelling Techniques for Ground Penetrating Radar](#)
(November 9-12, 2016 - Split, Croatia)
The four-day training school is organised by the COST Action TU1208 in the Faculty of Electrical Eng...

[Fit for Health 2.0 Exploitation Partnering Event at MEDICA 2016](#)
(November 15-17, 2016 - Düsseldorf, Germany)
ZENIT GmbH, together with the Healthcare Sector Group of the Enterprise Europe Network and the proje...

[International conference on Digital transformation of corporate business](#)
(November 15, 2016 - Bielefeld, Germany)
The event addresses researchers, practitioners, industry representatives and professors. ...

[Kick-off Event of the Smart Specialisation Platform on Industrial Modernisation](#)
(November 16-17, 2016 - Barcelona, Spain)
The Smart Specialisation Platform on Industrial Modernisation (S3P-Industrial

Modernisation) was off...

[Academic Cooperation Association (ACA) Annual Conference 2016: UniverCities. Higher education institutions and their habitat](#)
(November 20-22, 2016 - Budapest, Hungary)
The theme of this year's ACA Annual Conference is the relationship between universities and colleges...

[Intelligent Transport Systems: a Tool or a Toy?](#)
(November 22-23, 2016 - Žilina, Slovakia)
This conference is co-organised between the COST Association and the University of Žilina, the latte...

[NUTRICON 2016](#)
(December 1-2, 2016 - Skopje, FYR of Macedonia)
NUTRICON 2016 is dedicated to: Food Quality and Safety, Health and Nutrition and brings together the...

[Factories of the Future – Making Innovation Happen](#)
(December 1, 2016 - Brussels, Belgium)
The European Factories of the Future Research Association (EFFRA) is organising a full-day event&nbs...

[Webinar: Impact and Innovation in Horizon 2020 – a Guide for Proposers](#)
(December 7, 2016 - Webinar, Other)
From finding the right management framework for one's activity to the question of how to develop a c...

[START Final Event](#)
(December 13, 2016 - Vienna, Austria)
The START Final Event for all involved stakeholders will be held on December 13th 2016 in Vienna Cit...

[Regional workshop "How best to attract talented researchers?"](#)
(January 24, 2017 - Brno, Czech Republic)
The purpose of series of regional workshops "How best to attract talented researchers?" is to fully ...

[Partnering Event der Netzwerke IraSME & CORNET](#)
(January 31, 2017 - Aachen, Germany)
IraSME and CORNET are organising several Partnering Event per call in cooperation with different par...

Please check out the [online calendar](#) for many more announcements!

Papers, Jobs and other Applications

[Apply now for the new European Digital Skills Award 2016](#)
(Deadline: October 30, 2016)
The European Commission invites nominations for the best projects, which encourage people to improve...

[Call for Trainers and Consultants for advocacy, organisational development and writing project proposals](#)
(Deadline: October 31, 2016)
ORCA (Serbia), on behalf of consortium of partners: AKTIV (Kosovo*), FLOROZON (FYR of Macedonia), CZ...

[Call for Tender for Senior Scientific Quality Management (ESPON re-publication)](#)
(Deadline: November 7, 2016)
Scientific excellence and impeccable analytical standards are a prerequisite for achieving the ESPON...

[Help improve the European Week](#)
(Deadline: November 17, 2016)
DG Regio invites participants, speakers, etc. to share ideas and suggestions in view of next y...

[EPO Survey - The use of information in the Innovation process](#)
(Deadline: December 11, 2016)
The European Patent Office (EPO) is conducting a Pan-European survey in order to understand what kin...

Find other opportunities online by clicking [here](#).

Reports, Studies, etc.

[Study : Implementation of the partnership principle and multi-level governance in the ESI Funds](#)
In the legislative framework for the 2014-2020 ESI Funds the partnership

principle has been strength...

[Science Europe publishes report on Open Access policies in member organisations](#)
In 2016, Open Access (OA) to scholarly publications received renewed political attention as part of ...

[EC report on implementation of International Cooperation strategy](#)
The progress report highlights European efforts to improve the policy and framework conditions for w...

[Moving Beyond GDP: The final EU Regional Social Progress Index](#)
The final version of the EU Regional Social Progress Index, released on October 11th 2016, measures ...

[Policy brief | Pathways to a circular economy in cities and regions](#)
The four Interregional programmes Interact, Interreg Europe, ESPON and Urbact ha...

[Animated Clip on IP in Horizon 2020](#)
The new animated clip published by the European IPR Helpdesk sheds light on the importance of smart ...

[EU eGovernment Report 2016](#)
A new study on eGovernment services in the EU reveals that online public services are becoming incre...

[Effective Innovation Management Support (Case Studies)](#)
This collection of case examples of IMP³rove innovation management support services for SMEs to gain...

Look for more information on our portal by clicking [here](#).

Recently added Projects

[Distributed Infrastructure for EXPErimentation in Ecosystem Research](#)
ExpeER (Experimentation in Ecosystem Research) is an European project which aimed to bring together the major observational, experimental...

[Data warehouse for Danube waterway](#)
D4D was an Interreg III B project within the scope of GIS Forum Danube. The GIS forum was founded in 1997 by the waterway administrations...

[DANUBEPARKS STEP2.0 Danube River Network of Protected Areas](#)
The focus of DANUBEPARKS STEP 2.0 was to build on the achievements of the first joint project, anchor results firmly either by implementa...

Access [our project database](#) for learning on other activities to cooperate and network with.