

Smart Specialisation Platform for Industrial Modernisation

Thematic Partnership

ClusSport

Start Date (September 2017)

MONITORING PROGRESS REPORT

Reporting Period: from July 2018 to December 2018

This Report is presented to the relevant Working/Steering Committee.
It contains three parts:

- I. Management Report prepared by the Lead Region(s)***
- II. Progress Report prepared by the Lead Region(s)***

The report is updated every six months.

Confidentiality: this document (part I) will be made available to the public via the Partnership's web page except for chapter *II.E. Self evaluation*.

Based on the monitoring results, the European Commission will decide on the following year's support.

Executive summary (max. 250 words):

Physical Activity and Sport are important drivers for the European growth. Their cross sectoral impact with many disciplines and sectors such as health, tourism, construction, education, urban planning and environment has exponential spillover effects for the development of cross regional cooperation and supporting territorial and business competitiveness all over Europe. Combining Smart Specialisation strategies and Cluster policies is at the heart of the Sport Innovation Partnership also called ClusSport, which aims to develop a pipeline for public private investments projects to boost regional economic growth and employment.

ClusSport, proactively supported by EPSI, the European Platform for Sport Innovation, gathers 10 European regions and their clusters, which are ultimately members of EPSI. The project has successfully led to one scoping note done by Idea Consult and two types of mapping exercises delivered with the support of ReConfirm: one stakeholder mapping taking into account all European actors (public and private) related to sport, and another one, focusing on the 10 participating regions, which sought to identify key regional assets and areas of convergence. Different workshops, and multilateral exchanges between the participating regions, facilitated the emergence of 12 cooperation projects / investment ideas.

At this stage, the cooperation projects are delivered with the aim of being turned into co-investment protocols which will have practical socio-economic impacts on the partnering regions and beyond. The period between June and December 2018 has experienced the continuation of the ClusSport development work for the completion of the cross regional investment ideas / protocols. In this respect 2 interactive ClusSport meetings in Italy (Torino) and Hungary (Budapest) have been organised combined with one matchmaking event with the active participation of businesses and SMEs so as to assess the commercial soundness of the contemplated investments ideas. From the 12 originally selected cooperation projects, 5 have been pointed out as the most mature ones, as they are tracking attention from a greater number of regional authorities. These ideas such as "Smart Gyms" ; Smart Vital Cities or Vitality@work are presently in the process of being developed further with the objective of signing the investment protocols soon.

I. Management Report prepared by the Thematic Platform/Lead Region(s)

I.A. Partnership Action Fact Sheet

- **Partnership:** *ClusSport.*
- **Partnership's web-page:** *http://s3platform.jrc.ec.europa.eu/sport*
- **S3 Thematic Platform:** *Industrial Modernisation*
- **Objectives:** *Develop Cross regional investments for the regional industrial modernisation..*
- **Lead Region(s):** *list of regions/countries leading this partnership*

<i>Lapland.</i>
<i>South Netherland..</i>
<i>Any other comments</i>

- **Official partner regions:** *list of regions/countries that have officially committed to follow this partnership and have been active in the last six months.*

<i>Kainuu. / Finland</i>	<i>Valencia / Spain</i>	<i>Catalunia / Spain</i>
<i>Augverne Rhone Alps / France</i>	<i>Upper Austria / Austria</i>	<i>Flanders / Belgium</i>
<i>Dalarna / Sweden</i>	<i>Trento / Italy</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Any other comments</i>		

- **Other regions:** *list of regions/countries that have expressed their interest in this partnership but have not signed a commitment letter).*

<i>Emilia Romagna (Italy).</i>	<i>Debrecen (Hungary).</i>	<i>Lombardia (Italy)</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Any other comments</i>		

- **Intentions to join:** *list any regional/national authorities*
Emilia Romagna at very advanced stage to join + Lombardia + Debrecen

- **Other participants (other than national/regional authorities):**
(Please list here all other (non-region) participants (clusters, institutes, RTOs, etc.))

<i>European Platform for Sport Innovation www.epsi.eu .</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>	<i>Please enter here...</i>
<i>Any other comments</i>		

<p>Representative of Lead Region 1: (name, institution, address, phone, e-mail) Kristiina Jokelainen, Regional Council of Lapland krstiina.jokelainen@lapinliitto.fi</p> <p>Reetta Laakkonen, Regional Council of Lapland reetta.laakkonen@lapinliitto.fi</p> <p>Jaana Huovinen, Lapland University of Applied Sciences jaana.huovinen@lapinamk.fi</p>	<p>Representative of Lead Region 2 (if applicable): (name, institution, address, phone, e-mail) Réne Wijlens, Cluster Sport and Technology, South Netherlands wijlens@sportandtechnology.com</p> <p>Marc Van der Zande, Cluster Sport and technology, South Netherlands zande@sportandtechnology.com</p>
<p>European Commission Coordinator: (name, e-mail) Krzysztof Mieszkowski, JRC krzysztof.MIESZKOWSKI@ec.europa.eu Nikos Pantalos , DG Grow Nikos.PANTALOS@ec.europa.eu</p>	<p>Any other relevant information:</p> <p>Alberto Bichi -EPSI alberto.bichi@epsi.eu</p> <p>ReConfirm Brokers Marc Pattinson, inno TSD m.pattinson@inno-group.com</p> <p>Supported by: Caroline Guillet, inno TSD c.guillet@inno-group.com</p>

I.B. Thematic Working Areas (WA)

- **Thematic Working Areas** (if any, please list of WAs, region(s) in charge of it, names and affiliations of involved regional/national authorities, and other actors)

Working Area	Region in Charge	Involved regions	Other actors
<p>ICT4SELF Cooperation project 1: Fablabs for the acceleration of innovation</p> <p>Cooperation project 2: Smart Sport products</p>	<p>Cooperation project 1: Flanders</p> <p>Cooperation project 2: TBC</p>	<p>Cooperation project 1: South Netherlands, Lapland, Kainuu, Dalarna, Strento, Valencia and Barcelona</p> <p>Trentino</p> <p>TBC</p> <p>Cooperation project 2: Trentino, TBC</p>	<p>Other actors</p>
<p>ICT4ENV Cooperation project 3: Smart gyms</p> <p>Cooperation project 4: Living labs for acceleration of innovation</p> <p>Cooperation Project 5: Valo4Sport</p>	<p>Cooperation project 3: Kainuu</p> <p>Cooperation project 4: South Netherlands</p> <p>Cooperation Project 5: Lapland</p>	<p>Cooperation project 3: South Netherlands, Debrecen</p> <p>Cooperation project 4: Trentino, Valencia, Flanders EPSI</p> <p>Cooperation Project 5: Kainuu, Upper Austria, Valencia, Trento</p>	<p>Other actors</p>
<p>SPORT4VITALITY Cooperation project 6: Smart Sport events for all</p> <p>Cooperation project 7: Smart vital Cities</p>	<p>Cooperation project 6: South Netherlands</p> <p>Cooperation project 7: South Netherlands</p> <p>Cooperation project 8: Kainuu</p> <p>Coooperation project 9:</p>	<p>Cooperation project 6: Valencia, Trento, Lapland, Goteborg, Flanders, Trentino</p> <p>Cooperation project 7: Valencia, Lapland, Kainuu, Flanders,</p>	<p>Other actors</p>

	<p>South Netherlands</p> <p>Cooperation project 10: Kainuu</p>	<p>Trentino, Birmingham, Sheffield & Danish region</p> <p>Cooperation project 8: Lapland, Flanders, TBC</p> <p>Cooperation project 9: Kainuu, Lapland, EPSI, Valencia, Upper Austria, Trento</p> <p>Cooperation project 10: TBC</p>	
<p>TRANSVERSAL Projects</p> <p>Cooperation project 11: Mapping of future technology and its impact</p> <p>Cooperation project 12: Cross-cluster collaboration to create new value proposition</p> <p>Cooperation project 13: Sport innovation 4.0 (data-driven)</p>	<p>Cooperation project 11: TBC</p> <p>Cooperation project 12: TBC</p> <p>Cooperation project 13: Valencia</p>	<p>Cooperation project 11: Trentino, TBC</p> <p>Cooperation project 12: Trentino, TBC</p> <p>Cooperation project 13: Suggestion at 9/2018 meeting that all partner regions join</p>	<p>Other actors</p>
<p>At the moment projects 3, 5, 7, 9 and 13 are very actively making progress.</p>			

I.C. Overview of past activities (past six months, the 2nd half of 2018)

Past Meetings

Title	Date	Place
ClusSport meeting	28/June/2018.	Torino (Italy).
Match Making event	28/June/ 2018.	Torino (Italy).
ClusSport mngt meeting	6/September/2018	Brussels (Belgium)
ClusSport meeting	28 September /2018	Budapest (Hungary)
Industrial Modernisation steering group with other S3 partnerships.	27-28 November / 2018	Bilbao (Spain)

Past Workshops

Title	Date	Place
Please enter title here...	Please enter date here...	Please enter place here...
Please enter title here...	Please enter date here...	Please enter place here...
Any other comments		

Past Dissemination Activities

Title	Date	Place
EPSI annual conference	25/26 October	Ghent (Belgium)
MEDICA Fair	13/14 November.	Dusseldorf (Germany).
Dissemination will also be done at stakeholders meetings of Inno4Sport (interreg Europe) in		

participating regions

I.C. Overview of future activities (the next 6 months – the 1st half of 2019)**Future Meetings**

<i>Title</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>
<i>ClusSport meeting .</i>	<i>February 2019</i>	<i>Trento (Italy).</i>
<i>Any other comments</i>		

Future Workshops

<i>Title</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>
<i>ClusSport at Inno4Sports Knowledge Capitalisation Seminar</i>	<i>March 2019</i>	<i>Spain</i>
<i>Please enter title here...</i>	<i>Please enter date here...</i>	<i>Please enter place here...</i>
<i>Any other comments</i>		

Future Dissemination Activities

<i>Title</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>
<i>EPSI annual conference..</i>	<i>July 2019 .</i>	<i>Brussels (Belgium)..</i>
<i>Please enter title here...</i>	<i>Please enter date here...</i>	<i>Please enter place here...</i>
<i>Dissemination will also be done at stakeholders meetings of Inno4Sport (interreg Europe) in participating regions</i>		

II. Progress Report prepared by the Lead Region(s) of the partnership, describing **results achieved during this period**, in no more than 3 pages (the report is “cumulative”).
All items listed in Sections A, B, and C, below, must be addressed.

Additional documentation such as extended technical reports and/or proceedings of workshops may be provided separately as an annex to this report (and should be referenced in the report).

II.A. Innovative results

- Innovative results and achievements that could be attributed to the Partnership.
(Specific examples of Results vs. Objectives)
 - 4 of the ClusSport regions (South Netherlands, Lapland, Valencia), are involved with 2 other regions (Hungary, Poland) and EPSI in the Inno4Sport project proposal for Interreg Europe, followed by grant approval. Start of the project 6/2018, lead partner Cluster Sports&Technology.
 - Interreg Netherlands-Flanders project nano4sports (2016-2020) provides innovative solutions for ICT4Self as well as a further development of the concept of living labs for wearables
 - EFRD project OP Zuid Vitality Living Lab (2017-2021) provides a case based development of innovative solutions and business chances for stimulating healthy active lifestyle in the public spaces
- Tangible short- and medium-term socio-economic impacts achieved or expected.
(Specific examples)
 - o Expected outcome of the EFRD projects are
 - economical: new companies, new business propositions
 - societal: positively influencing the healthy active lifestyle of people
 - organisational: new ideas about public-private collaboration

II.B. Inter-regional and inter-partnership collaborative results

- Additional results obtained from working with other partnerships under the thematic S3 Platforms. (Specific examples)
 - There is a Horizon2020 project application under development with another another thematic S3 Platform partnership: Digitalisation and Safety for Tourism.
- Evaluation of the involvement of relevant business sector (clusters, SMEs, business associations, chambers of commerce, etcetera) in the Partnership activities. (Specific examples)
 - The ReConfirm support team has fostered a reflexion on the involvement of clusters, SMEs and so on, since the inception of the process:
 - In the questionnaire designed to prepare the mapping, all regions were specifically asked about the private actors they were involved with or with who they would like to get involved
 - The stakeholder mapping realised by SPI from ReConfirm identified all the actors revolving around the sport industry, which includes actors from the private sector, notably clusters and companies.
 - In the conception of the pitch asset, as well as in the project factsheets which summarise the characteristics of the cooperation projects, specific questions were asked about the private actors (cluster and SMEs) to ensure that they are taken into account;
 - This has enabled fruitful results:
 - Clusters are well involved in the project. Four out of ten regions (Flanders, BE Catalonia and Valencia, SP, and South Netherland, NL) have actively involved their clusters in the project.
 - The presence of EPSI in the partnership brings the cluster sphere closer from the partnership.
 - The organisation of a matchmaking event in Turin, involving SME, enables to connect the cooperation projects with SMEs. This allowed partners to test the relevance of the cooperation projects with the market needs, as well as involve SMEs efficiently.

- Evaluation of whether **the level of inter-regional cooperation is sufficient** to potentially provide **practical and relevant socio-economic impacts**. (Specific examples)

The regions are well-advanced in cooperating: 5 out of the 12 cooperation ideas, have turned into cooperation projects and two of them are well-advanced. These two projects (smart vital urban regions and vitality@work) are gathering a sizeable number of ClusSport partner regions, and are currently discussing the co-investment protocols. Their level of involvement is sufficient to potentially provide practical and relevant socio-economic impacts. These socio-economic impacts would be that the project would foster innovation in SMES and the partnership would enable them to develop their solution in several markets. The regions have seized the potential for developing co-investment as a means to create new activities and economic growth. Therefore, and with regard to the 12 cooperations projects including 2 more advanced co-investment protocols, it is likely that regions will mutually benefit from practical and relevant socio-economic impact.

II.C. New activities

- Involvement of regions from EU13 Member States in the Partnership, in particular with respect to scoping, mapping and/or matchmaking. *In addition, justification should be provided if no EU13 regions are involved.*

The joint meeting between ClusSport and Interreg inno4Sport has enabled the partnership to create relations with the Debrecen region in Hungary. Debrecen region will take part in some of the projects and has expressed its intention to join ClusSport.

- Involvement of regions/countries from outside of EU28 Countries. (Number of participants from non-EU countries. Specify their contribution)

Please enter here...

- Advancement and promotion of the Partnership through publications and other communication/outreach activities. (Number of outreach activities that resulted from the Partnership. A complete list with references and web-links should be given in an annex)

Please enter here...

- Activities and projects with partnerships working under other S3 Thematic Platforms (Agri-Food, Energy and Industrial Modernisation).

There is a new S3 Platform Partnership being developed in Personalised medicine with whom possible collaborations have already been discussed with. Also, joint activities are being developed together with the tourism partnership.

II.D. Your Partnership and the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The EU has a strong position when it comes to sustainable development and is also fully committed to be a frontrunner in implementing the UN's 2030 Agenda¹, together with its member countries and regions. Many interregional partnerships under the thematic S3 Platforms contribute strongly to the attainment of these 17 goals.

Please indicate to which Sustainable Development Goals and to what extent your thematic Partnership contributes?

Your Partnership and Sustainable Development Goals

Goals to which your partnership (can) contribute:	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not applicable
Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 2. End hunger , achieve food security and improved nutrition & promote sustainable agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives & promote well-being for all at all ages	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 5. Achieve gender equality & empower all women and girls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth , full and productive employment & decent work for all	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure , promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation & foster innovation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 11. Make cities & human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 12. Ensure sustainable consumption & production patterns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas & marine resources for sustainable development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems , sustainably manage forests , combat desertification , halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 16. Promote peaceful & inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalise the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

¹ The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), adopted by the United Nations (UN) in September 2015, gave a new impetus to efforts to achieve sustainable development.