

TAF Talks series: Capacity building on governance models and platform business models

Dear S3P-Industry Community,

On **Wednesday 9th December** (10:00-11:30), TAF will host an online workshop as part of the [TAF Talks series](#). The workshop will focus on capacity building in the following two areas:

- **Governance aspects** of interregional investment projects
- Development of **platform business models**

During the session, two speakers with long experience and strong expertise on governance aspects of interregional investment projects and development of platform business models will share their insights on how to address challenges commonly faced by project promoters when applying to TAF in these two areas and respond to your questions. The speakers are:

- **Alexander Auboeck:** Independent Project Finance Consultant with special focus on EU grants and subsidies, senior banking professional with over 30 years of experience in banking, manager of teams of up to 70 professionals, non-Executive Director experience on Board of banks, corporates, private equity funds and project companies. Alexander's sectors of expertise are: management; project and infrastructure finance; public private partnerships; private equity; policy dialogue; EU policy and support mechanism (e.g. structural and cohesion funds; Horizon 2020, Connecting Europe Facility, Innovation Fund); technical assistance; international financial institutions. Alexander is also member of the TAF Selection Committee, with hands on knowledge on the strengths and weaknesses of successful and unsuccessful applications.
- **Krzysztof Gulda:** Entrepreneur, researcher, strategist in public and private sector, international consultant, has gained unique, multidisciplinary experience in all sectors of the knowledge triangle. Krzysztof is Former vice-chair of the European Research Area Committee (ERAC) and Former Director Department of Strategy, Ministry of Science and Higher Education of Poland, expert in development of national and regional innovation strategies with strong focus on horizontal relations between innovation and other policies including research, entrepreneurship, human development, intellectual property and sustainable industrial policy. Krzysztof's specific areas of expertise cover academic entrepreneurship (start-up development, seed and venture capital, incubators), building business – academia relationship, innovations systems (from national, regional to networks and clusters) and Open Innovation.

Secure your spot by registering through this [link](#) by **Monday 7th December noon**. You will receive the WebEx link to the virtual meeting by email the day before the event.

If you have any questions on the TAF Talks series or on our service in general, feel free to contact us anytime at taf@ecorys.com.

We hope to see many of you on Wednesday!

Best regards,

Your TAF team

Technical Assistance Facility for Industrial Modernisation and Investment (TAF)

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09 November 2020 (10:00-11:30 or 12:00 am), Cisco Webex Conferencing System

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Agenda

Indicative timing	Agenda item
10:00 – 10:05	Welcome and introduction <i>Moderated by the TAF team</i>
10:05 – 10:25	Governance aspects of interregional investment projects <i>Presentation by business expert Alexander Auboek</i>
10:25 – 10:45	Follow-up Q&A <i>Moderated by the TAF team</i>
10:45 – 11:05	Development of platform business models <i>Presentation by business expert Krzysztof Guldav</i>
11:05 – 11:30/12:00 (based on the discussion)	Follow-up Q&A <i>Moderated by the TAF team</i>
	Wrap-up and closing