Template for submitting your Smart Specialisation Story

The "**Smart stories**" will be advertised through various media channels, including online media.

Length: 400 to 700 words, on average 1 page and maximum 2 pages.

Stakeholders can submit their story in English.

Accounts from various countries and regions are available on the [S3 Platform website](#) .

Your account should include the following elements:

1. Which part of the RIS3 approach does your story relate to?

It could be about stakeholders' involvement (Entrepreneurial Discovery Process), the Governance system, Monitoring and Evaluation, Interregional cooperation, Partnerships… Here are some examples of issue of interest:

- Behavioural change / production of local collective goods (platforms, support services, etc.)

- Structure of the governance setting

- Development of R&I Policy instruments (funding decisions)

- Monitoring and evaluation mechanisms

- Advantages of joining the partnerships of the Agri-food / Energy / Industrial Modernisation Thematic Platforms from the perspective of a country / region / cluster / higher education institution:

2. **What challenges** the country / region / partnership is facing?

3. Who are the **main actors involved** in the process?

4. What are the **obstacles overcome thanks to the RIS3 approach**? What were the **solutions encountered**? **The success-factor** ►what is it that makes it a good example? What are the elements that makes it work?

5. What are the **milestones reached**? What are the main achievements to date?
What changes can be seen compared with the situation before RIS3 was designed and implemented?

6. What are the **advantages and possible limitations** of the S3 approach in your territory?

7. Formatting aspects
Please provide the following elements in your smart story:

- **A title**, short and catchy

- **A short quote from a policy-maker or regional stakeholders**

- **A web page link,** ideally an S3 related official URL

- **A jpg picture** (300 dpi resolution, at least 3000x 2000 pixels, with copyright information)**.**.