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Briefly about Podkarpackie Region

PODKARPACKIE IN NUMBERS

- Number of inhabitants: 2.1 million
- Area: 17 844 km²
- Population density: 118 people/1 km²
- Capital city: Rzeszów
- Students: 70 000
- Enterprises: more than 160 000
- Unemployment rate: 14%
- Average monthly gross salary: about 780 €
Status on RIS3 in Podkarpackie Region

• The RIS3 document determining the regional smart specializations has been already created

• The Actions Plans for each smart specializations have been created

• Ongoing process of systematically collaboration with most important stakeholders of regional innovation system

• The frameworks for monitoring and evaluation of RIS3 together with the entrepreneurial discovery process are being currently prepared
Governance

The partner institutions in the region:
Regional Centre for Technology Transfer, Regional Centre for Transfer of Modern Manufacturing Technology, Business institutions supporting the development of innovation, Statistical Office, Regional Labour Office, Self-government local and district
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On the basis of extensive bibliometric analysis, SWOT, PEST, stakeholders analysis and knowledge of entrepreneurs and researchers from the region.
Looking beyond our region boundaries

Podkarpackie Region belongs to the group of regions with a moderate degree of innovation.
Looking beyond our region boundaries

• RIS3 strategy creators have taken into account national border regions, especially being in a similar economic situation:
  • Lubelskie
  • Świętokrzyskie

• Bavaria has become benchmark for Podkarpackie Region (because of the environmental conditions and the important role of the rural environment).

• When creating RIS3 strategy it was also compared with the regions from Austria and Hungary.
Vision of the Podkarpackie Region and mission of the RIS3

Environmentally and socially sustainable, innovative and competitive economy - a leader in the creation of eco-innovation. Region of the highest quality of life.

Supporting the development of innovative and competitive economy of the region, focusing on social welfare and protection of the ecosystem as the basis of society and the economy. Support for smart specialization, intelligent activity areas, priority actions and technology.
### Main objectives for Podkarpackie RIS3 strategy

- **Aerospace industry**
  - development of the region as a leading center in Poland for innovative aerospace and communication technology

- **Quality of life**
  - development of the region as a region with the highest quality of life

- **Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)**
  - widespread use and development of information and communication technologies
Priorities of Podkarpackie RIS3 strategy

Main priority: Smart, sustainable and inclusive growth

Priority actions and technologies for the areas of support:

**Mobility**: Technologies and products of the aerospace industry. Multimodal, sustainable transport.

**Climate and energy**: Renewable energy sources and technologies associated with them. Balanced and intelligent construction (buildings, neighborhoods, cities). Biodegradable plastics. Electrical machinery industry.


**Health, food, nutrition**: Organic, regional and traditional food. Healthy, optimized, non-GMO diet. Preventive medicine. Care for the elderly.

**ICT**: High speed Internet access.
Leading smart specialization quality of life for Podkarpackie Region is a complex activity areas and solutions, interrelated, aimed at creating a new, sustainable model of society and the ecosystem, including mobility - multimodal transport, climate and energy, highest biological and health quality food, energy efficient construction, sustainable tourism, information and communication technologies (ICT). It is not a sector, but complex solutions designed to meet EU requirements and at the same time guaranteeing the intelligent development of the entire of the Region, according to a new economic and social paradigm of the European Union.
Measuring progress

Every smart specialisation have its own Action Plan in which creators have identified (context, output, product, result) indicators correlated to it.

Examples of indicators especially correlated to smart specialisations:

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Our smart specialisations

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„Quality of life” sector

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Aerospace industry

Complete supply chain

Forging, Ladish Stalowa Wola

Bushings, Ultratech Sędziszów

Landing gear, Goodrich Krosno

Polish F-16, engines assembled in WSK Rzeszów and landing gears made by Goodrich Krosno
Aerospace industry

System of education in Aviation Valley

Universities / Aeronet, 80 M

High schools, grammar schools / CEKSO, „Flying physics”, 30 M$

Primary schools / „Tech University for children”
Aerospace industry

GOING ABROAD

Central Europe Conference

INTERREG Eastern Europe

Interreg IIIC: Finland, Ireland, Poland

Clustering clusters

“PROSPECTS OF THE AVIATION INDUSTRY IN THE EXPANDED EUROPEAN UNION”
15 September 2005, Warsaw, Poland

AVIATION VALLEY

Building network, sharing best practices, understanding opportunities
Aerospace industry

GOING ABROAD

39 clusters, 13 countries
Driving economic change through smart specialisation/RIS3

Informal assessment - Podkarpackie
Podkarpackie has an ambition to become a region with the highest quality of life and benchmark for cooperation between entrepreneurs, academia and government.

Next steps:

- Completion of work concerning the preparation of "action plans," for each smart specialisation
- Preparation of the project/instrument to support implementation of the Podkarpackie RIS3 strategy

• The frameworks for monitoring and evaluation of RIS3 together with the entrepreneurial discovery process are being currently prepared

- Developing the concept of expanding the portal rsi.podkarpackie.pl
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**Question 1**

How can region effectively create green transformation (green growth and bio-based economy using eco-innovation) and what may be the sources of funding it?

**Why:** 1) from our vision „... - a leader in the creation of eco-innovation.”; 2) EU2020 Strategy „...building the bio-economy by 2020.”

**What has been done:** smart specialisation: quality of life, as a specialisation is especially aimed at green transformation (2014-2020)

**What worked:** „green awareness” was built on the field of enterprises, administration and universities in Podkarpackie Region

**What did not work yet:** still not as many as we would like to eco-innovative projects were funded and done
Question 2

How the role of clusters in the region such as Podkarpackie should look like in the future? Are there any known and identified new support measures for cluster in you regions/ countries?

**Why:** 1) in the new EU perspective - in opinion of our clusters (Aviation Valley) - clusters are not mentioned in UE strategic documents as much as they should be; 2) our clusters are benchmarks for other PL and even EU clusters

**What has been done:** 1) a lot of collaborative projects (in the field of education, R&D, promotion of the region, international cooperation) were done;

**What worked:** close cooperation between clusters, universities and regional governance

**What did not work yet:** 1) close cooperation between large enterprises and SME’s within clusters, 2) support for cluster initiatives in new areas/priorities
Question 3

What kind of criteria can be used to select right projects concerning our RIS3?

**Why:** our RIS3 strategy was approved by EU Commision and we are facing necessity of creating selection criteria for projects in the new EU perspective

**What has been done:** we described the support areas within the smart specialization

**What worked:** here are two approaches to project evaluation criteria: 1) expert judgment and 2) only by NACE codes

**What did not work yet:** in our opinion (only NACE approach) is wrong in the field of smart specialisation
Question 4

How can we improve our entrepreneurial (and scientific) discovery process in the future?

Why: We want to encourage the greatest possible number of companies in the EDP

What has been done: lots of meetings, conferences, seminars were conducted during EDP, more than 2000 enterprises were involved in EDP

What worked: cooperation between main regional development actors: universities, enterprises, regional governance and clusters

What did not work yet: extension of the process, access to enterprises outside the clusters and science and technology parks
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