S3 PLATFORM MEMBERSHIP AND EYE@RIS3 – S3 SPECIALISATION MAPPING

More information and guidelines [here](#).

**REMEMBER UPDATE OF THE EYE@RIS3**

The S3 Platform is updating the information on the S3 priorities on the basis of the advanced stages of the regional/national RIS3s. Nevertheless, policy makers from the regions/countries are kindly invited to check and regularly update their S3 priorities in the [Eye@RIS3](#). You are also kindly invited to update your national/regional S3 pages (see the example of Slovenia [here](#)).

**5TH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON CORPORATE R&D AND INNOVATION (CONCORDi) 2015 – CALL FOR PAPER**

The European Commission’s Directorate Joint Research Centre (JRC) - Institute for Prospective Technological Studies (IPTS) - is organising the 5th European Conference on Corporate R&D and Innovation (CONCORDi 2015): Industrial Research and Innovation: Evidence for Policy. The conference will be held in Seville (Spain) on 1-2 October 2015. More information [here](#).

**Deadline for submission: 18 May 2015**

Papers’ submissions for CONCORDi 2015 are now open and should be made following the instructions of the Call for Papers document that you can [download here](#).
Ukraine joins Horizon 2020
More information here and below:
- EC Press Release Horizon 2020
- Associated countries to Horizon 2020
- EU-Ukraine research and innovation cooperation

Peer-review workshop took place in Poland
A peer-review workshop co-organised by the S3 Platform and the Marshal Office of Podkarpackie Region, took place on 19-20th March 2015, at the Rzeszów University of Technology. The main topic was Economic Transition of Regions. More information here.

ICT-enabled social innovation (IESI) project
The European Commission’s JRC-IPTS, through the IESI project, is conducting research to provide evidence-based knowledge on the role of ICT-enabled social innovation in supporting social investment reforms.
A report presenting the 2014 Knowledge Map of policy experiences across the EU has been developed and discussed during an Experts Workshop in Brussels.
The IESI Knowledge Map will be further enriched in the continuation of the research with examples from EU regions and beyond.
More information on IESI Project Website here.
Contact: Gianluca Misuraca, IESI Project Leader.

Stairway to Excellence
The Stairway to Excellence (S2E) pages keep been enriched with further National and Regional Fact & Figures.
Also, a Croatia National Event took place on 26 March in Zagreb (HR) as the first of a series, followed by a Latvia National Event, on 15 April in Riga (LV).
More information on S2E here.

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New S3 Publications – you can download all documents here
Mapping innovation priorities and specialisation patterns in Europe
Authors: Jens Sorvik and Alexander Kleibrink
S3 Working Paper 08/2015
The most common R&I priority areas in the EU are energy, health, information and communication technologies, food, advanced materials, services, tourism, sustainable innovation, advanced manufacturing systems, and the cultural and creative industries.
You can find the Working paper here.

Monitoring mechanisms for smart specialisation strategies
Authors: Carlo Gianelle and Alexander Kleibrink
S3 policy brief 13/2015
This policy brief describes the fundamental functions of RIS3 monitoring mechanisms, their relationship with the underlying logic of intervention as well as the challenges with regard to indicator selection, data quality and governance. You can find it here.

World corporate top R&D investors: innovation and IP bundles
Authors: Éléne Dernis, Mafini Dosso, Fernando Hervás, Valentine Millot, Mariagrazia Squicciarini and Antonio Vezzani
This joint EC-OECD report builds on the efforts to collect up-to-date, reliable and comparable company data on the top corporate R&D investors worldwide carried-out by the European Commission since 2004 (the EU Industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard publication) and on the solid knowledge and experience of the OECD in developing and providing robust and state of the art indicators on science, technology, and industry (see for example OECD’s STI Scoreboard publications). You can find the report here.

Invitation to the RIM Plus workshop: “Developing new industrial value chains through open innovation collaboration spaces”, 29/04/2015, Brussels (Belgium)
The RIM Plus is organising in cooperation with DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs of the European Commission and Emilia-Romagna Region, a workshop on developing new industrial value chains across European regions, taking advanced manufacturing as an example. It will be the first in a series of eight events to be organised during the period 2015-2016.
The registrations are now open and more detailed information can be found here.

KETs for Regional Growth: Synergies between Horizon 2020 and ESIF
06/05/2015, Committee of the Regions, Brussels (Belgium)
Synergies with other EU, national or regional programmes are encouraged in Horizon 2020 in order to stimulate the use of the new opportunities to bring together funding from different and also public sources for industrial projects. The event is aimed at regional/national and research, innovation and industry stakeholders, who have set priorities in Key Enabling Technologies (KETs) and is designed to encourage active dialogue and exchange of ideas between the KETs- H2020 stakeholders and the national/regional authorities that apply for structural funds. To register, click here.
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Wire 2015: Week of Innovative Regions in Europe 2015, 4-5 June 2015, Riga (Latvia)
The State Education Development Agency of Latvia and the European Commission invite you to participate at the International Conference “Week of Innovative Regions in Europe 2015”, organised under the frame of the Latvian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, in Riga, Latvia, on 4th and 5th June, 2015.
Please find the programme, practical information, registration and more here.

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