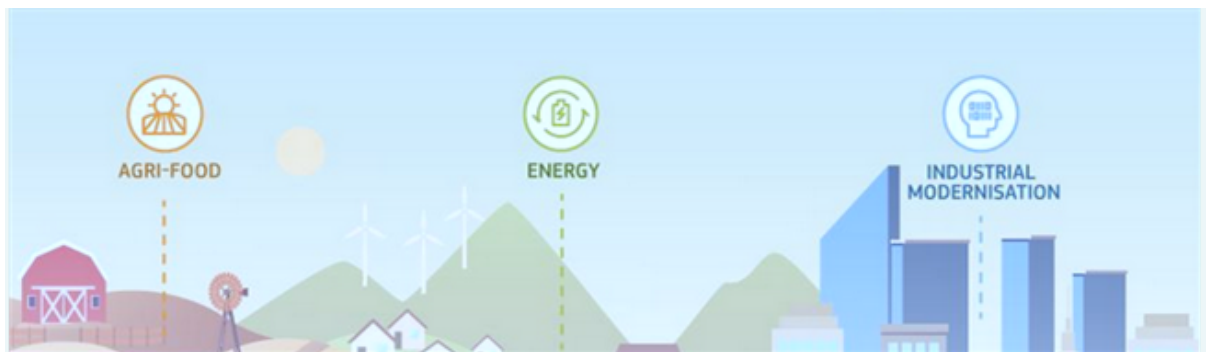


Thematic Smart Specialisation Platforms Monitoring Progress Report

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Thematic Smart Specialisation Partnership Monitoring Progress Report

This report is presented to the relevant Working/Steering Committee.

The report is updated every six months.

Confidentiality:

The management report (section I) and progress report (section II) will be made available to the public via your Partnership's web page.

The part on self-assessment is confidential.

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

* Reporting period

July - December 2020

* Please select the name of your partnership

Nutritional Ingredients

*** Start date of your partnership**

13th of March 2018

*** Partnership's webpage**<https://s3platform.jrc.ec.europa.eu/nutritional-ingredients>

I. Management report

*** Please provide the executive summary and the objectives of your partnership**

The aim of the partners is to develop an interregional partnership between agri-food and bio-economy actors (industries, academics, cluster organizations and relevant research and technology organizations), facilitating the uptake and cross-over of innovation in the field of functional/nutritional ingredients and related application sectors, stimulate cross-sectoral collaboration and accelerate the development and commercialisation of novel and/or improved ingredients in any relevant application field identified by the Partnership.

The partnership will build an interregional network/database composed of multiple entries, in which global consumer trends and habits, market trends and all needs identified in industrial application fields, will be followed and registered, allowing the Partnership partners to identify subjects of interest for their core activities or for potential new business developments over Europe.

After the identification of new trends, business cases, and process/product developments, partners will assess the opportunities to develop new products and services based on new/improved/novel ingredients /additives and will benefit from the "technology network" available in the database/network. In this way they can identify the available and existing actions and technologies and get an overview of the pilot facilities throughout partner regions. They also highlight their lack of competences enabling to cover the entire value chain. All these steps will systematically be challenged and analysed in accordance with sustainable development goals.

This will eventually lead to the identification of investment opportunities within the value chain, for example addressing technology gaps, proposing pilot or demonstrator facilities that will be aligned with business needs for economic actors. The partnership will promote interregional collaboration between a diversity of partners and strengthen competitiveness of industries in their aim to better respond to specific consumer demands emerging from the market analysis. This partnership thus offers the unique opportunity for interregional demand-driven innovation in the field of ingredients, with a strong emphasis on sustainability issues at each step. An action plan will be developed to target potential innovation opportunities.

The driving force of the partnership processes will be the collection and analysis of consumer trends, technology developments and market demands observed in the regional markets by the cluster organizations, living labs, key opinion leaders and industry players (both B2C and B2B companies).

*** Please provide the list of leading regions**

Wallonia, BE, BE3
Flanders, BE, BE2

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Please provide the list of participating regions.

If possible, please follow this format: "Name of the region in English (Country abbreviation), NUTS code".

e.g.: Lapland (FI), FI1D7

Galicia Region, Spain, (ES), ES11
Asturias Region, Spain, (ES), ES120
Emilia-Romagna Region, Italy, (IT), ITD5
Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region, France, (FR), FR82
Central Macedonia Region, Greece, GR/EL, (EL52)
La Rioja Region, Spain, (ES), ES23
Central Transdanubian Region, Hungary, (HU), HU21

Please provide the list of interested regions or other entities (other than national /regional authorities)

Lapland, Finland
Navarra, Spain
Rotterdam-The Hague area, The Netherlands
Andalucia, Spain
Brittany, France

Please provide an overview of the **working areas** of your partnership

	Working area	Region in charge	Involved regions	Other actors
* 1	Biochemistry, biomolecular	All	All	N/A
* 2	Ingredients/Sourcing of ingredients	All	All	N/A
* 3	Zero-waste processes/bioeconomy	All	All	N/A
* 4	Extraction/Isolation/Purification/ general processing	All	All	N/A
* 5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
* 6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
* 7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
* 8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
* 9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
* 10	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Please provide information regarding past meetings, workshops and dissemination activities (six months prior to filling out the survey)

	Event	Date	Place	Any other information
1	IN2EU-Innosup Meetings	From June to September	Online Meetings	Extremely regular meetings, several per weeks, with diverse partner regions that took part in the project.
2	S3 NI and Green Deal	26th October 2020	Online Meeting	Establish a shared strategy for the Partnership. Encourage partners to integrate in Green Deal consortia.
3	Governance Structure	23rd November 2020	Online Meeting	Finalising the Governance structure
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Please provide information regarding planned future meetings, workshops and dissemination activities

	Event	Date	Place	Any other information
1	Steering Committee n° 1	10th February 2021	Online Meeting	Partners are expected to sign the governance structure in January 2021 followed by the first Steering Committee
2	Disseminate and present the S3 Partnership in Diverse meetings of the BIC Consortium	Spring - Summer 2021	Webinars and telcos	Communication & Dissemination Actions
3	Disseminate and present the S3 Partnership in EITFood events	Spring - Summer 2021	Webinars and telcos	Communication & Dissemination Actions
4	Project opportunities under Horizon Europe	Spring - Summer 2021	Online Meetings	Joint Actions
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II. Progress report

Innovative results

Please describe innovative results and achievements that could be attributed to the partnership (specific examples of results vs. objectives)

Finalization and validation of a governance structure for the long term viability/sustainability of the Partnership. The last version is ready to sign now.

Membership at BIC and EITFood validated by board of Wagralim to be actively involved in calls and topics related to the Partnership: enables to actively participate to their meetings, present the Partnership and its opportunities.

Requests to participate to diverse EU events is increasing: impact on visibility of the Partnership

Submitted an INNOSUP project called 'IN2EU' stage 2.

Tangible short- and medium-term socio-economic impacts achieved or expected (specific examples)

The approval of the governance structure by all partners is a succes step to go further together and will enable to expand the partnership by adding new regions.

Inter-regional and inter-partnership collaborative results

Additional results obtained from working with other partnerships under the thematic S3 Platforms (specific examples)

Unfortunately, not yet. The 'IN2EU' Innosup stage 2 was not seletected.
We hope to do so once our Partnership is settled with a Governance Structure.

Evaluation of the involvement of relevant business sector (clusters, SMEs, business associations, chambers of commerce, Digital Innovation Hubs (DIHs), etcetera) in the Partnership activities (specific examples)

Not yet

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

Not tangible yet. Hopefully the IN2EU (and others to come) will lead to specific examples in the future

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

No EU13 Regions are currently involved but we have been contacted by one EU13 country to join. This will probably be discussed at the Steering Committee in February 2021.

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

N/A

Advancement and promotion of the Partnership through publications and other communication/outreach activities (number of outreach activities that resulted from the partnership)

Diverse communications by each partner region in regional events and newsletters.
Also see previous section of this report, listing all our participations to diverse events in order to disseminate and communicate about our Partnership.

Wagralim produced a short document representing the Partnership and its competencies for the 'Green Deal' Call.

Activities and projects with partnerships working under other S3 Thematic Platforms (AgriFood, Energy and Industrial Modernisation)

Not enough yet, hopefully in the future this will increase but it is already important to settle and get to know each other concretely via projects, meetings inside a Partnership before starting to work with other ones. Working inside a Partnership is already coping with more than 10-12 partner regions, diverse actors behind each region (industries, clusters, RTOs, etc.) leading to an outreach of +20 parties involved. Long process that takes time but surely, opening and working with other S3 Thematic Platforms is a goal.

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 Agenda, 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?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not applicable
Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition & promote sustainable agriculture	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives & promote well-being for all at all ages	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 5. Achieve gender equality & empower all women and girls	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment & decent work for all	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

inclusive and sustainable industrialisation & foster innovation						
Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 11. Make cities & human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 12. Ensure sustainable consumption & production patterns	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas & marine resources for sustainable development	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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 checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalise the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>