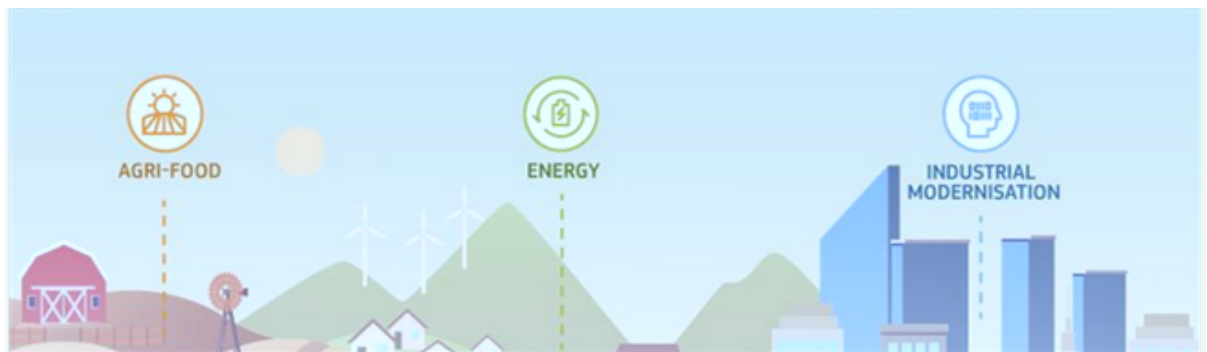


Thematic Smart Specialisation Platforms Monitoring Progress Report

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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 2019

* Please select the name of your partnership

Digitalisation and Safety for Tourism

I. Management report

Please provide the executive summary of the objectives of your partnership

The Digitalisation and Safety for Tourism Partnership, with the support of Reconfirm, has been working and progressing in the later half of 2019 the Tourism of Tomorrow Lab for TAF application, scoping other two thematic areas and improving the efficiency of governance.

The priorities of the partners in order to establish coherent operational investment projects, departing from the two main themes: Digitalisation and Safety. From these main themes, 6 thematic priority areas were selected, and then syphoned into three overarching thematic areas for investment projects. These are the following:

- Access to data (Andalusia)
- Green Mobility, Accessibility and Connectivity (Slovenia)
- Resilience, new phenomena/climate change, risk and crisis management (Lapland)

Access to data has been selected as a thematic priority area in the theme of Digitalisation for Tourism in which to focus investment projects. The investment project that is taking shape is the ToT Lab (Tourism of Tomorrow Lab): a “one stop shop” gathering investments from top market operators, and leading public organisations in the sector. ToT Lab will connect private and public research centres and the business community to generate business intelligence and new knowledge to be used by its national and regional members to provide data, training and services for players in the Tourism sector. ToTLab will be our investment idea presented to TAF in early 2020.

The other two priority areas have been discussed further with the help of Reconfirm.

Regional stakeholder has been strengthened, especially involving SMEs and regional destination management organisations.

On this period, we have been working mainly to define and align the investment and business model of ToT Lab. And also working with partnerships and governance to fulfil the criteria to be submitted for the TAF services.

Please provide the list of leading regions

Lapland(FI).
Andalucia (ES)
Slovenia (SI)

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*

Castilla y León (ES)
Catalonia (ES)
Valencia (ES)
Lazio (IT)
Tuscany (IT)

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

Crete
Tourism of Algarve
Black Sea Tourism Commission
Sardinia

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

	Working area	Region in charge	Involved regions	Other actors
1	Access to data	Andalucia (ES)	Slovenia, Lapland, Castilla y Leon, Valencia, Tuscany	NECSTouR
2	Green Mobility,	Slovenia (SI)	Lapland, Castilla y Leon, Valencia, Tuscany	NECSTouR
3	Resilience, new phenomena	Lapland(FI).	Slovenia, Lazio, Castilla y Leon, Andalucia	NECSTouR
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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	ToT Lab Strategy Workshop	11th July	Madrid	
2	Working Party Competitiveness and growth Tourism	15th July	Bruxelles	
3	Assesing Cosme- call	5th September	Online	
4	European Tourism Forum	10th-11th October	Hlesinki	
5	Partnership Meeting	18th -19th November	Bruxelles	
6	Administrative meeting of the platform	3rd October	Online	
7	Tot Lab meeting		online	
8	Tot lab meeting	17th December	Online	
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Please provide information regarding planned future meetings, workshops and dissemination activities

	Event	Date	Place	Any other information
1	Tot Lab Partnership Meeting	14th January	online	
2	Administrative meeting of the platform	30th January	Online	
3	TotLab workshop	11th-12th February	Andalucia	
4	Partnership Meeting	10th-11th March	Bruxelles	
5	Tot Lab partnership meeting	3rd April	Online	
6	Administrative meeting of the platform	28th April	Online	
7	NECSTouR Annual General Meeting	25th- 28th March 2020	Cagliari	
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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)

Partnership acknowledged by stakeholders and EC, invitations as panellists and cross-sectoral workshops. .

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

ToT Lab investment idea will be submitted on the TAF application early 2020. , Tot Lab partners and stakeholders will meet in a workshop in Andalucia in February.

Inter-regional and inter-partnership collaborative results

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

- 30.9. Submitted an Interreg Nord application 'NordSafety', together with Norway and Sweden
- 24.10. Submitted COSME application 'BESTour', together with Sweden, Italy, Slovenia and Spain

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)

Engaging stakeholders and especially SMEs and regional tourism organisation has been the objective. Lapland Tourism Ecosystem has signed up in European Cluster Collaboration Platform

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

It's really challenging to keep the proactivity and interest from the regions without funding, even if they have similar initiatives in their territories. so, funding is needed.

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

On the platform we have been strengthened regional stakeholder networks and also finding global partners for Tourism of Tomorrow lab. NECSTouR has participated in European Tourism Forum and other networking meetings have been held. Potential new members participated in the partnership meeting in November.

NECSTouR is supporting the partnership in order to reach a bigger inter-regional cooperation through its members of the network, regional authorities but also academia and research organisations

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

not planned

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

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

Developing Safety and Security: regional, national and international meetings:

- 28.8. Ministry of Interior + regional stakeholders, Lapland Safety and Security Activity Plan, meeting
- 3.10. Ministry of Interior + regional stakeholders, Lapland Safety and Security Activity Plan, meeting
- 7. – 10.10. Reykjavik, Iceland. Arctic and North Atlantic Security and Emergency Preparedness Network, meeting
- 4.11. Visit Finland, meeting on developing Tourism Safety training in Tampere area
- 5.11. Regional stakeholders, Lapland Safety and Security Activity Plan, meeting
- 11.11. Safety collaboration in Barents region, online workshop hosted by University of Lapland
- 26. – 28.11. Reykjavik, Iceland. Nordregio conference on Skills for Resilient regions.
- 12.12. Leaders of regional stakeholders, Lapland Safety and Security Activity Plan, meeting

Stakeholder meetings in Lapland and Finland, Arctic Smartness and Clusters:

- 4.7. webinar on Building Innovation Superclusters
- 6.8. Arctic Smartness clusters, leaders' meeting
- 27.8. Lapland regional industry clusters, leaders' meeting
- 2.10. Regional kick-off meeting of URBACT international project of 10 towns in Europe developing sustainable tourism models
- 25.10. Next steps of Smart Specialisation in Lapland, meeting hosted by Regional Council of Lapland
- 29. – 31.10. Arctic Smartness clusters, workshops in Pyhä
- 21.11. URBACT, regional workshop with EU expert
- 2.12. Business Finalnd webinar on H2020, ICT ja Digitalisation













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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation & foster innovation	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<p>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</p>						
<p>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</p>						
<p>Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalise the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development</p>	