**Project title:**
Scaling trust-based partnership models to recharge youth entrepreneurship: Supporting underserved communities with innovative entrepreneurship support instruments (TPM-RYE)

**WHY:** In many parts of Europe young people face problems when wanting to start, grow and sustain a business. There is also a lack of evidence and information on what kind of entrepreneurship support is most effective in different contexts, and few tested models.

**WHAT:** The project partners will test a trust-based partnership model and provide direct business development services to young people in the four beneficiary countries. After testing, the model will be improved, and external funding will be applied to scale it up. The project partners will write and publish a research report with data and evidence and prepare a transnational methodology guide.

**Target groups:**
- Youth (25-30) who will benefit from dedicated, highly specialised financial and non-financial business development services
- Organisations who will use the knowledge base of what works, where and why

**ABOUT THE FUND**
The €60 million EEA and Norway Grants Fund for Youth Employment supports transnational project initiatives that promote sustainable and quality youth employment in Europe. The focus on transnational cooperation reflects the view that unemployment among youth is a common European challenge and common European solutions should therefore be explored.

The selected projects aim to:
- Make it easier for 25,000 young people to find a job
- Create 3500 jobs in NGOs and social enterprises
- Help 1800 young people start up their own business

The selected projects involve partners from all the 15 beneficiary countries of the EEA and Norway Grants as well as Ireland, Italy and Spain – all countries with high youth unemployment. The projects also include expertise partners from the donor countries Iceland and Norway as well as two international organisations and other EU member states.

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**ABOUT THE PROJECT**

**Country** | **Project partner status** | **Institution** | **Type of institution** | **City**
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Greece | Lead partner | Agricultural University of Athens – Research Committee | Public | Athens
Greece | Beneficiary partner | Development Agency of Karditsa S.A Anka Anaptixiaki Karditsas Anaptixiaki Anonimi Etairia O.T.A | Public | Karditsa
Italy | Beneficiary partner | Microfinanza S.P.L. | Limited Liability Co | Vicenza
Poland | Beneficiary partner | Foundation Technologic Incubator – YBP | Foundation | Warsaw
Spain | Beneficiary partner | Autoocupacio | Foundation | Barcelona
Germany | Expertise partner | Munich Business School | Private | Munich
Germany | Expertise partner | KIZ SINNOVA Company for Social Innovation gGmbH | Limited Liability Co | Offenbach am Main
United Kingdom | Expertise partner | Youth Business International – YBI | Charity | London

**PROJECT DURATION (months):** 36

**GRANT AMOUNT:** €2.3 MILLION

**AREAS OF SUPPORT:** Transfer of know-how, analysis and research

**ABOUT THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS**
The EEA and Norway Grants represent the contribution of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway to reducing economic and social disparities and to strengthening bilateral relations with 15 EU countries in Central and Southern Europe and the Baltics. For the period 2014-2021, the total contribution is €2.8 billion (EEA Grants €1.5 billion and Norway Grants €1.3 billion).

Under the EEA Agreement, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway are part of the European internal market. The EEA Agreement sets out the common goal of working together to reduce social and economic disparities.

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