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PROJECT
PARTNERS

Project title:

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

Country	Project partner status	Institution	Type of institution	City
Greece	Lead partner	Agricultural University of Athens – Research Committee	Public	Athens
Greece	Beneficiary partner	Development Agency of Karditsa S.A Anaptyxia-ki Karditsas Anaptyxiaki 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

ABOUT THE PROJECT

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.

PROJECT
DURATION
(months):
36

GRANT
AMOUNT:
€ 2.3 MILLION

AREAS OF
SUPPORT:
TRANSFER OF
KNOW-HOW,
ANALYSIS
AND
RESEARCH

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 fund seeks to complement existing EU funding on youth employment initiatives, e.g. the long-term unemployed in the age group 25-29.

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 27 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 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.

