



Report on selection process for Pilot Action model Slovenia (D6.1.1)

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1. Description of selection process at project level

Based on the discussion at the consortium meeting held in December 2017 in Budweis WP6 leader started with closer monitoring of individual Pilot Actions (PA) plans with each partner in January 2018. Firstly the process of designing of PA's in terms of relation to already defined models (Preparatory public intervention, Incubator model, Innovation Fund model, Crowd-selection model) have been discussed within each Jour Fix meetings with all the partners including the possibility that PA could combine there models.

In order to assess partner's pre-conditions and to confirm whether PA's would fit in this presets WP6 leader developed brief survey to find out more about each partner's preliminary plan regarding to PA's. The results as shown below were discussed at consortium meeting in Košice, April 2018.

Partner	1. type Preparatory public intervention	2. type Incubator model	3. type Innovation Fund Model	4. type Crowd-selection model	Other types	Activities	Subcontr. needed
CPU	X	-	-		CF for social enterprises and initiatives	1 day event - knowledge exchange	YES
DAZ	-	X	-	-		call for the best ideas, pitching, training	YES
IECT	-	X	-	X	Modified incubator and crowd selection model	training, pitching, showcase	NO
UB	-	X	X	-	Combination of Incubator and Innovation Fund Model	2 competitions, pitching, mentoring	YES
STP	-	X	X	-	Incubator model combined with innovation Fund model	Education, mentorship, pitching	YES
TUKE	-	X	-	-		Video pitching	YES
JAiP	X	X	-	-	CF as part of new regional social incubator services	couching, training, competition	YES

Based on these findings WP6 leader developed Pilot Actions – Joint Concept where principle methodology, recommended structure of PA's and financial guidance (in terms of subcontracting and public procurement) is included.

Overview of the main steps carried out within PA selection process

Activity	Date	Related output
Recommended structure of PA	January 2018	Template for preliminary definition of Pilot Actions
WP6 survey on PA's	February 2018	Assessment of individual PA (focus, type, subcontracting need)
Regular discussions of PA's preparation	January – June 2018	Pre-conditions, barriers and challenges of each partner regarding PA's
Presentation of survey's results	16. – 17.4. 2018	Presentation of survey's results and discussion on next steps at meeting in SK.
Discussion on financial conditions and rules regarding PA's with LP and CPU	May 2018	Simplified recommendation on financial rules related to potential subcontracting within PA's.
Joint Concept for PA	May 2018	Principle methodology, recommended structure of PA's and financial guidance in one dedicated document.

2. Discussion of Pilot Action models with local stakeholders

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Styrian Technology Park (STP) tackled the challenge of selecting the appropriate Pilot Action model in close cooperation with the local stakeholders and SMEs & startups. Based on the meetings within the project partnership and conclusions made there, STP implemented several meetings with the relevant interlocutors in the region. The proposal of the draft PA Slovenia was presented to the project partnership and discussed at the meeting in Košice in April 2018.

When deciding about the most suitable format of the Pilot Action, STP considered all factors and inputs on the subject of WP6, taking also into account the contents and activities of the WP 4 – Quality Criteria and foremost the WP5 – Capacity Building with the implementation of the trainings (being the activity closely related to the Pilot Action itself).

Based on the all above mentioned facts and in cooperation with the WP6 leader JAIP, STP finalized the concept of the Pilot Action Slovenia as follows:

<p>Detailed description of the content</p>	<p>Pilot Action includes group activities in the field of education about common topics related to preparation and implementation of a CF campaign under supervision of an incubator (STP). Based on the interests and needs of individual participants, a plan of individualized mentorship sessions will be prepared in order to serve each interested/chosen startup/SME/individual person, according to their specific needs. Mentors with knowledge on specific aspects of CF campaign preparation & implementation will be involved in the mentorship process. Video pitching materials, needed for the purpose of a high-quality CF campaign, will be prepared by external experts from creative industries sector. Education and mentorship will be provided by STP staff as well as external experts.</p> <p>Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Education on preparation and implementation of a CF campaign – Mentorship in the process of the CF campaign preparation and implementation – Preparation of Video pitching materials
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3. Inputs from Associated partners

WP Leaders as well as some project partners gathered inputs from Associated partners on selection of Pilot Action Models during various events.

WP 6 Leader *South Bohemian Agency for Support to Innovative Enterprising* discussed the Pilot Action Models as mentioned in the CrowdStream AF with ASP2, the *Institute for International Business – Vienna University of Economics and Business*, in a side meeting during the kick-off event of the Horizon 2020 project E-FIX in Vienna at the end March 2018.

WP 3 Leader *ConPlusUltra* discussed recent project developments and plans for Pilot Action models with ASP3 *Priority Area 10 of the EUSDR – City of Vienna* in an informal way during the 8th Meeting of the Danube Local Actors Platform in March 2018.

Project partner *University of Belgrade* involved ASP6 *Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development* in Serbia in order to discuss Crowdfunding models to be tested in the Pilot Action and the future involvement of the Ministry in the implementation of the regional Pilot Action.

All involved ASPs recommended to keep a broad focus on a general crowdfunding model combining the preparatory trainings as implemented in the „incubator model“ acc. to AF with the jury approach of the „crowd-selection model“ acc. to AF to implement competition-type pilot actions at partner region level.

Inputs from ASPs were exchanged in regular partner TelCos and draft pilot action concepts were discussed within the partnership during the project meeting in Kosice/SK in April 2018.