



Online S3

Smart specialisation strategies in Europe Next generation policy tools for intelligent investments

23 March 2017 - 14:00-17:30

Venue: Scotland House, Rond Point Schuman 6, Brussels

ONLINE-S3 is a Research and Innovation Action funded by Horizon 2020. The project is developing an online policy platform, augmented with a toolbox of applications and services, to assist national and regional authorities to elaborate and implement their smart specialisation agenda. The consortium is developing and testing novel methods and tools to support the S3 policy cycle. The online tools developed will undergo testing in four pilot regions (Central Macedonia, Galicia, North Netherlands and Scotland) and will subsequently be made available online in partnership with the European Commission's Smart Specialisation platform.

This first project dissemination event showcases the findings of an EU wide mapping of methods used by regional and national partnership to develop smart specialisation strategies.

The workshop will explore the needs of policy makers for online tools that support the S3 cycle from strategy design, through implementation to effective investment in transformative innovation that boost regional development.

Registration via:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-s3-workshop-tickets-32431726166>

Project website: <http://www.onlines3.eu/>





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14:00 – Registration and coffee

14:30 – 14:40 Welcome and introduction by the workshop chair

Alasdair Reid (European Future Innovation System Centre)

14:40 – 15:00 – Next generation tools for designing and managing smart specialisation strategies – an overview of the aims of the Online S3 project

Prof. Nicos Komninos, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

15:00 – 15:30 Mapping Smart Specialisation Strategies (S3)– main findings from a review of methods used by regional and national S3 partnerships.

Report available at : <http://bit.ly/2kbR11J>

Elina Griniece (EFIS Centre)

15:30 – 16:30 **Panel discussion** –What are the needs of S3 partnerships – tools to support on-going entrepreneurial discovery, investment and monitoring impact.

Moderated by:

Richard Tuffs – ERRIN Network

Panellists:

Jan Larosse, European Commission, DG Regional Policy

Jens Sorvik, European Commission, DG Joint Research Centre

Dimitri Corpakis – Former Head of Unit, DG Research & Innovation

Krista Taipale, Helsinki Region

Each panellist will have 5 minutes to react to the findings of the mapping and to identify their wish list of top three tools needed to support the S3 process.

Followed by moderated Q&A with audience and panel members.

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16:30 – 17:00 – Designing online tools – the piloting process in four regions and stakeholder and user engagement.

Dr. Katharina Fellnhofer, Research and Innovation Management GmbH

17:00-17:20 – Next steps for the project

Pepa Krasteva, European Commission, Project officer

Eva García Muntión, RTDI, Project Coordinator

17:20-17:30 – Summing up

Alasdair Reid (EFIS Centre)

Close of meeting – drinks and nibbles and a chance to network

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