Dear ECCP Member,

Happy New Year!

We look forward to collaborating with our vibrant community this year as clusters continue to play a crucial role in helping the recovery and boosting competitiveness across Europe and beyond.

Following on from our previous newsletter, we wanted to reflect on the statistics shared. Here is a detailed breakdown of how the platform performed in 2020:

- 2,301 total user accounts.
- 115 cluster organisations were published.
- 7 cluster networks were published.
- 19 project profiles were published.
- 24 ESCP-4i profiles were created.

In February, we will be launching our brand-new website that has been designed with you in mind.

**Stay tuned for more updates coming soon!**

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**News**

#IndustrialEcosystem

**Industrial Ecosystem of the week**

Do you work in one of the 14 industrial ecosystems? If so, we want to hear from you!

As a new feature this year, we would like to showcase key news, events or calls from each of these ecosystems across our social media platforms and in our monthly newsletters.

How is your cluster organisation helping to support the economic recovery?

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The European Parliament and European Council have agreed on the budget for Horizon Europe, the largest transnational programme ever supporting research and innovation.

The European Union and China have reached an agreement in principle on investment. China has committed to a greater level of market access for EU investors than ever before, including some new important market...
Open Calls

First open call for €4.2m ONTOCHAIN project
Deadline: 15 January

Final SmartX call for funding is now open
Deadline: 15 January

Co-financing of public procurement of innovation consortia
Deadline: 19 January

€1 billion European Green Deal Call for research and innovation projects
Deadline: 26 January

GALACTICA Hackathon
Deadline: 29 January

€150,000 SME funding available in Metabuilding seed call first round
Deadline: 30 January

Strategic Alliances for the uptake of advanced technologies by SMEs
Deadline: 2 February

Apply for up to €60,000 via DIGI-B-CUBE voucher scheme
Deadline: 3 February

€8m call to boost digitalisation and innovation in tourism sector
Deadline: 11 February

European Social Economy Regions 2021 call
Deadline: 15 February

Call for proposals: EU-Latin America Alliance for Sustainable Growth and Jobs
Deadline: 15 February

Search full list of open calls

Events

Register now for the upcoming events!

Webinar on cross-sectoral inter-cluster cooperation
19 January

The role of Artificial Intelligence in industrial modernisation workshop
25 January

BluelInvest Day 2021
26 January

Virtual Mobile Tuesday: Integrated photonics enabled opportunities in automotive
26 January

10 basic intellectual property tips to succeed abroad
28 January

The WINning Days - get ready for Horizon Europe
2 February

Publications

This month we feature Christian Ketels and Sergiy Protsiv, who have published a paper taking a fresh empirical look at how cluster presence matters for
economic performance.

Do you have a publication you want to be featured? Login and share it via your profile today!