

Call for Applications

ReSTI Project Management Pilot Training Programme

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Excellence in research, social and technological innovation project management

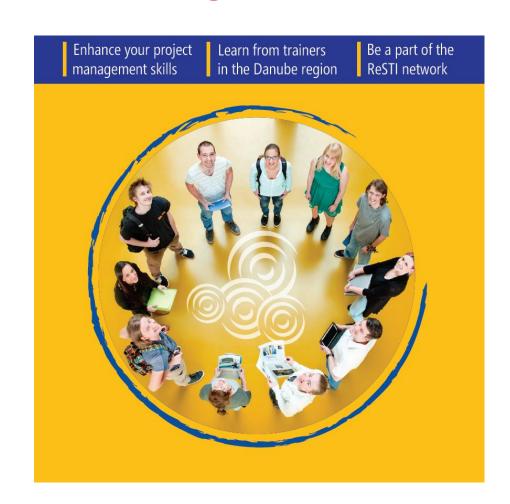
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ReSTI Pilot – Facts & Figures

- Pilot Content: five modules
- Blended learning
 - three face-to-face meetings
 - twenty online courses
- Pilot time frame
 - Work can be completed within twosemesters
 - Pilot: 10/2018 06/2019
- Certificate of Completion
- Call for participants: open from March 1 to May 31 2018
- Announcement of selection results:
 June 20





Invitation to Applicants

The consortium of partners welcomes applications from all candidates who fulfil the **specific profile of eligibility criteria**, irrespective of gender, disability, marital or parental status, racial, ethnic or social origin, colour, religion, belief or sexual orientation.

The project is primarily oriented towards early-stage project managers in research, social and technological innovation (ReSTI), as well as young graduates as first-time applicants to transnational and multicultural projects, within the Danube Region.

The call explicitly addresses a wide spread of applicants from the **business** sector, research institutions, as well as civil society organisations



Three Face-to-Face Meetings

- 1. October 1-3, 2018: Eisenstadt, AT: University of Applied Sciences Burgenland
- **2.** February 2019: Budapest, HU: Venue t.b.d.
- June 2019: Eisenstadt, AT:
 University of Applied Sciences
 Burgenland





Moodle Online Learning Environment

- Modern and friendly learning environment
- Opportunity to discuss and exchange learning outcomes with peers
- Self-guided learning through the Five Doors





Participants' Feedback and Evaluation...

- ... is an **essential part of participants' engagement** in the pilot
- ... is required in order to request international accreditation after the pilot phase ends and the programme is released to the public

How is it done?

- Participants act as "Experts for Learning" and provide continuous feedback
- Survey results and focus group discussions generate input for elevating the curriculum to the next level of quality assurance
- Learning interactions will take place between partners, trainers, and students.



Tentative Timeline of Pilot Curriculum

F2F 10/18

- Kick-Off, Meeting Participants and Faculty, Eisenstadt (AT)
- Introduction to Learning Environment, Modules and Courses, Administrative Issues

Online

- Modules 1, 2, 3 online completion
- Feedback loops with course developers, guidance and technical support

F2F 02/19 • Mid-Term Evaluation of Programme and Learning Outcomes, **Budapest (HU)**Focus Group discussions on opportunities for improvement, Q&A on curriculum content,
Train-the-Trainer Role Plays

Online

- Modules 4, 5 online completion
- Feedback loops with course developers, guidance and technical support

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- Final Evaluation, Closing Event, and Certification, Eisenstadt (AT)
- Final presentations, feedback workshops, evaluation toolbox



Eligibility Criteria I

Applicants must be permanent resident of an eligible country of the Danube Region

- ✓ Austria
- ✓ Bosnia and Herzegovina
- ✓ Bulgaria
- ✓ Croatia
- ✓ Czech Republic
- ✓ Germany (two states: Baden-Württemberg, Bavaria)
- ✓ Hungary
- ✓ Moldova
- ✓ Montenegro
- Romania
- ✓ Serbia
- ✓ Slovakia
- ✓ Slovenia
- Ukraine (four provinces: Chernivetska Oblast, Ivano-Frankiviska Oblast, Zakarpatska Oblast and Odessa Oblast)





Eligibility Criteria II

Applicants must...

- **√** ...
- ✓ Be early-stage graduate, project manager or innovator from research or higher education institution, SMEs/Industry, or Civil Society Organisations (incl. NGOs)
- ✓ Hold at least Bachelor's degree or an equivalent qualification attested by a nationally certified institution
- ✓ Be fluent in English (at least B2 English proficiency level within the CEFR).
- ✓ Be highly motivated and enthusiastic to obtain knowledge & know-how in the professional area of ReSTI project management.



Certification

Certificate of Completion is granted to those who...

- complete all five modules during the pilot phase
- fully participate in the three face-to-face sessions
- engage in regular feedback loops with course developers

Additionally, the ReSTI Project Management Pilot takes a leading role in didactic innovations by issuing **virtual badges** for credits earned for each completed module and the final certification. These badges are then consolidated in a virtual backpack that can be uploaded to digital resumes and/or professional profile systems such as LinkedIn to demonstrate achievements across relevant platforms.



Cost and Funding

- No tuition fees will be charged throughout the entire pilot.
- The costs for **travel tickets and accommodation** for selected 25 applicants to attend the three face-to-face sessions will be reimbursed by the consortium.
- The applicants benefit from European Union funds (ERDF, IPA) and the co-financing of project partners.
- In turn, participants are obliged to offer substantial and constructive feedback in the ongoing evaluation process throughout the pilot.
- There is also room for **non-funded participants**. Applicants who fulfil the eligibility criteria but who are not chosen for funded participation will be contacted to explore the possibilities for non-funded participation.



Submission

via online form until deadline May 31 2018, including

- Personal data
- Curriculum Vitae, following Europass format
- Copy of Bachelor degree diploma or equivalent qualification attested by a nationally certified institution
- Short description of potential previous experience in the area of research, social and technological innovation (max. 2,000 characters)
- Motivation letter highlighting your personal, educational, and/or professional background and which knowledge or skills you wish to develop during the pilot training (max. 2,000 characters)



Submission

Please find the detailed instructions for submitting your online application here: www.interreg-danube.eu/excellence-in-resti

Deadline for applications is May 31, 2018 (midnight CET)

Announcement of selection results will follow after June 20, 2018

Information about the programme, the venue, meetings-and all other necessary details will be provided thereafter

For questions please find the most convenient contact in the project partner countries: www.interreg-danube.eu/excellence-in-resti



Selection Process

Selection of participants is competitive (open call for applications, to be evaluated by the ReSTI project committee).

The selection process will take into consideration experience and motivation to acquire knowledge and develop new skills in ReSTI project management, and level of fluency in English.

The selection process is designed to also provide for a balanced geographical and demographical selection, in particular, gender of participants.

Partner team members of Interreg DTP Project "Excellence-in-ReSTI" are not eligible for application.



National Information Sessions

National Info Sessions will be held in project partner countries from March to May 2018.

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Why attend an information session?

- Ask questions about organisation issues
- > Find out more about module content
- Talk to course developers and project partners
- Learn about the Five Door Approach
- Discuss with experts how to best write your application





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Looking forward to your application!

