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It is an exciting and important time to focus on the **future potential of Higher Education Institutions**



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Aims & Objectives

Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) can positively impact regional and Europe-wide social and economic development through education, research and engagement.

However, they require targeted support to enhance their capability to fully realise their potential. Accelerate Future HEI will develop and test acceleration services, to equip HEIs with the skills and capacity to drive their institutional transformation towards becoming more entrepreneurial and innovative institutions over the next four years.

Key Objectives



TO IDENTIFY

the status quo of the HEI and its ecosystem regarding entrepreneurial and innovative activities.



TO DEVELOP

test and implement acceleration services that help institutions undertake a transformation roadmap and projects.



TO BUILD

the capacity of the participating HEIs staff to implement the transformation roadmaps through a **skills development program**.



TO EVALUATE

the strategies from HEIs supervised by an 'Acceleration Board' of **independent experts**.



TO GENERATE

policy feedback to the European Commission as well as provide widespread dissemination of the pilot results to other target groups.

The **project methodology** is based on a gap analysis, determining:

- 01** The **current state** of the HEI.
- 02** Clarifying the **desired future state** and **goals** for institutional transformation.
- 03** Designing a **roadmap and implementation plan** to achieve the desired future state and institutional transformation goals and objectives.

Coaching, capacity building knowledge exchange, and monitoring impact are built into the approach to ensure that HEIs are equipped with the right skills and support to develop and implement an action plan to pursue institutional transformations.

Led by University Industry Innovation Network (UIIN), Accelerate Future HEI brings together twelve European partners from eleven countries to develop and implement acceleration services. Participating in this initiative provides HEIs with a unique opportunity to identify key challenges they are facing and dedicate time and resources to develop solutions through an institutional transformation action plan (ITAP). The advantage of participating is HEIs are not doing this alone, but instead receive personalised and peer-to-peer guidance through access to coaches, thematic working group workshops, training workshops and cohort knowledge exchange events. This allows HEIs to take a close internal look at what they want to achieve while receiving external support and guidance to enable them to implement these changes.

Main Deliverables



Management, QA & Policy Feedback M1 – M48

The plan for how we will ensure we deliver on our outcomes & inform policy.

D1.1
DMP M6

D1.2
Initial policy briefing M12

D1.3
Interim policy briefing M30

D1.4
Final policy recommendations report M48



Current State Analysis M1 – M12

Uncovering the goals for institutional transformation. Where are HEIs now?

D2.1
Strategic Vision Statements – M12

D2.2
Synthesis Report – M12

Developing Roadmaps & ITAPs M6-M18

What needs to change to achieve the goals and how will you do it?

D3.1
Roadmaps Analysis report - Draft M12

D3.2
Roadmaps Analysis report - Final M18

Acceleration services pilot-testing M12 – M48

What will you test and implement?

D4.1
Summary report - common ITAP issues M12

D4.2
Case study report- ITAPs and results M48



Capacity Building & Knowledge Exchange Program M1 – M48

The plan for how HEIs gain skills and insights for acceleration & transformation.

D5.1
Program overview & delivery plan M12

D5.2
Program delivery progress report & updated plan M30

D5.3
Summary of the learning outcomes M48



Acceleration Impact – Monitoring & Evaluation M1 – M48

We will monitor progress and evaluate impact of ITAPs.

D6.1
Monitoring & evaluation plan – M12

D6.2
ITAPs Progress report – M30

D6.3
Final Impact Report



Communication and Dissemination M1 – M48

We plan to share our key learnings so others can benefit.

D7.1
Initial Plan M6

D7.2
Updated plan & first dissemination report M12

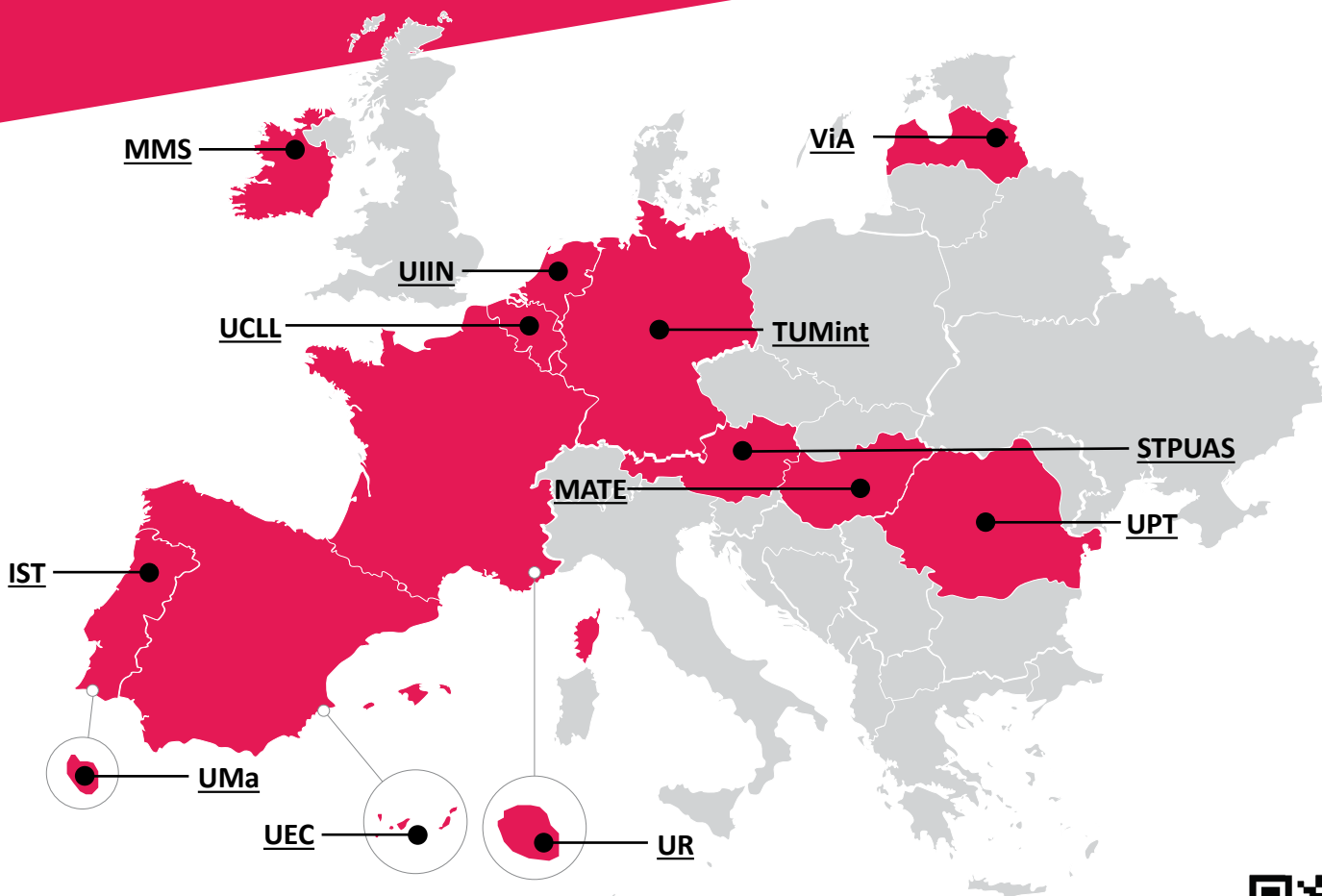
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Benefits

Participating in Accelerate Future HEI will provide benefits to HEIs:

- Strengthened internal knowledge and skills through institutional **data, coaching, training and best practice examples** to guide HEI transformation.
- Enhanced **capacity, tools and support** to identify and capitalise on opportunities, and undertake institutional transformation.
- Better **mechanisms around career assessment and incentives**, and providing more infrastructure and frameworks for cooperation with surrounding ecosystem actors.
- Enhanced **connectivity through cross-regional network creation**, international capacity building and knowledge exchange activities.
- Access to **replicable models for acceleration support and tangible tools** to be applied across European HEIs to initiate and undertake their transformation processes.
- **Strengthened links** across universities and increased research and human resources capacities.
- **Knowledge exchange** across HEIs and external ecosystem actors.
- **Policy recommendations**.



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