

# PORTFOLIO OF EU PROJECTS

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# ACCIÓ: The Agency for Business Competitiveness

## ACCIÓ: The Agency for Business Competitiveness

ACCIÓ is the public agency for the competitiveness of Catalan enterprise, attached to the Ministry of Business and Labour of the Generalitat (Government) of Catalonia. It aims to promote the competitiveness and growth of the Catalan business fabric by promoting innovation, internationalization and by attracting investment. In addition, ACCIÓ provides enterprises with a network of 40 international Trade and Investment offices around the world that provide coverage to more than 100 markets. From these offices, it promotes the connection of Catalan enterprise in the world and advises on setting up in new markets and discovering global business opportunities, as well as helping in the process of internationalization of innovation thanks to its specialized team's local support and knowledge.

### ACCIÓ Strategic Programmes (2024)



**Grants for high-impact business investments**



**Next Generation Office**



**ProACCIÓ Green**



**Startup Catalonia & Co-investment**



**ProACCIÓ 4.0**



**International e-Trade**



**Shared Value**



**Nuclei R+D**



**Investment attraction program**



**Internationalization Barriers Office**



**Aftercare visit plan**



**Open and disruptive innovation projects**



**New business opportunities**

## Global impact of ACCIÓ (2023)



**+37,500**

More than 37,500 clients served



**+19,200**

Assistance provided to more than 19,200 projects



**+ € 2.2 bn**

More than €2.2bn in investment mobilized



**12,800**

More than 12,800 direct and indirect jobs created

## Network of Trade and Investment Office

40 offices and access to more than 100 markets

Each euro invested in Trade and Investment Offices generates  
€25 in exports  
€47 in foreign investment (2023)



## Catalonia Region

A dynamic economy and one of the Europe's main industrial drivers

Best foreign investment attraction strategy *(Financial Times Group)*

### Catalonia in figures (2023)

 **7,9 Million inhabitants** *(Idescat)*

 **€290.0 bn GDP** (growth above Euro Zone) *(Idescat, Euroestat)*

 **€100.0 bn Exports** (all-time record) *(ICEX-Datcomex)*

 **+ €1.0bn** Received from Horizon Europe Funds *(Horizon Dashboard 2021-23)*

 **Nearly 20% Industrial GVA** *(Idescat)*

### Catalonia's assets

  
**Competitive industry-based economy**

**+590,000** companies  
*(DIRCE, 2023 data)*

**+32,000**  
industrial companies

**+46%**  
of the FDI attracted in 2023 is in industrial activities  
*(fDi Markets)*

  
**Hub of technology, innovation and entrepreneurship**

**1.9 % R&D Intensity/GDP**  
*(INE, 2023 data)*

**+2,100 Startups**  
(1st Hub of Southern Europe)

**+70%** of startups work with Industry 4.0 technologies.  
*(ACCIÓ)*

  
**First-rate logistics hub**

**400** million consumers in Europe and North Africa supplied in less than 48 hours

Port of Barcelona is the **2<sup>nd</sup> most attractive European port location** for logistic investment  
*(Savills, 2020)*

  
**Local and International talent**

**12** Universities  
**2** Business schools among **top 10** in Europe  
*(Financial Times)*

  
**Business mindset**

**+9,600** foreign companies *(ACCIÓ)*  
**+ € 21.0 bn** investment attracted (2019-2023)  
▲20% compared to previous five-year period  
*(fDi Markets)*

## European Funding (2014-2020)<sup>1</sup>

Over the 2014-2020 period, a total of 1,508 entities based in Catalonia received European funding, which represents 22.0% of the total number of beneficiaries in Spain during the period as a whole. These beneficiaries took part in 4,855 EU-funded projects, which represents 28.4% of all projects with Spanish participants. Based on the quantity of funding achieved, Catalan beneficiaries obtained €2,009.3M, which represents the 21.9% of the total European funding obtained by Spanish beneficiaries.

From 2014 to 2020, Catalonia was ranked 16<sup>th</sup> among the EU28<sup>2</sup> for obtaining EU funds. This level of funding is very similar to that obtained by Finland (€2,043.8M) and ahead of countries such as Portugal (€1,961M) and Hungary (€1,813.8M).

Horizon 2020 (H2020)<sup>3</sup> is the main funding programme in Catalonia. In terms of the funds allocated under this programme, the competitiveness, excellence, and innovative capacity of Catalan entities have enabled Catalonia to receive 1,7 billion € and 3,202 projects in 2014-2020, which represents 2.5 % of total H2020 funds (one point higher than the amount corresponding to it based on population (1.5% of the EU)).

Finally, Catalonia was the European region with the most companies awarded grants from the EU's SME Instrument programme. 246 Catalan SMEs (4.5% of all grant recipients) were awarded more than €108M in funding (3.8% of the total budget).

### Figures on EU Funding in Catalonia



Catalonia benefited from **2.5%** of the total budget of the EU's Horizon 2020 programme, and received €1.7B in 2014-2020.



The Catalans obtain **21.9%** of the total European funding gained in Spain.



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<sup>1</sup> Source: [Catalan Participation in Competitive European Funds, 2014-2020](#) (Funds managed directly by the European Commission or its executive agencies). Government of Catalonia - Ministry for Foreign Action and Open Government. The data might not include some of the EU funding programs in which ACCIÓ participates (e.g Interreg, EuropeAid, etc.).

<sup>2</sup> EU-28 up to 2020 (including the United Kingdom).

<sup>3</sup> Horizon 2020 is currently replaced by Horizon Europe.

# List of EU projects included in the Portfolio

## Ongoing projects:

1. **DeepTechValleys** Deep Tech Ecosystem Empowerment for Regional Transformation (INTERREG EUROPE, 2024-2028).
2. **RETRIEVE** Reintegration of photovoltaic panel waste back into manufacturing as high value products. (HORIZON EUROPE, 2023-2027).
3. **PLASTIX** Plastics Revolution for European Regions (INTERREG EUROPE, 2023-2027).
4. **ACCELERATE GDT** Realign Cluster Policies to Accelerate the Twin Green and Digital Transitions Plastics Revolution for European Regions. (INTERREG EUROPE, 2023-2027).
5. **METASKILLS4TCLF** Alliance for cooperation on digital and circular economy skills for the tclf sector across europe. (ERASMUS+, 2023-2027).
6. **INSHAPE** European cross regional innovation for Sports & Active Healthy Lifestyle. (INTERREGIONAL INNOVATION INVESTMENT, 2023-2026).
7. **CESAM** Circular Economy and Sustainability solutions for Agrifood in the Mediterranean. (INTERREGIONAL INNOVATION INVESTMENT, 2023-2026).
8. **PHYrene** Development of the cross-border hydrogen value chain in the Pyrenees. (INTERREG POCTEFA, 2024-2026).
9. **EEN2EIC** Support to EIC Accelerator by the Enterprise Europe Network. (HORIZON EUROPE – Cascade Funding, 2023-2025).
10. **CATCIM 22-25** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (SMP, 2022-2025).
11. **DIH4CAT** Promote and facilitate the technological transformation for the digitalization of SMEs, technological start-ups and public entities. (DIGITAL EUROPE, 2022-2025).
12. **EUROMED CLUSTERS FORWARD** Strengthening innovation through supporting cluster cooperation and start-up ecosystems in the South Neighbourhood countries. (EUROPEAID, 2022-2025).
13. **SCAIRA** Startups Creation & Acceleration in Rural Areas. (INTERREG SUDOE, 2024-2026).
14. **FASHION FORWARD** Fashion Forward. (INTERREG SUDOE, 2024-2026).
15. **MDO-ACCIÓ** Mecanisme de Descoberta d'Oportunitats RIS3CAT, ACCIÓ. (FEDER, 2024-2025).
16. **PRECISEU** PeRsonalised medicine Empowerment Connecting Innovation ecoSystems across EUrope. (HORIZON EUROPE, 2024-2029).
17. **AIRISE - AMBASSADORS** AIRISE - AMBASSADORS. (HORIZON EUROPE – Cascade Funding, 2024-2025).
18. **CHARGE** Powering Charge Transition. (INTERREG EUROPE, 2025-2029).
19. **WOMEX** The role of women in the competitiveness of exporting SMEs. (INTERREG EUROPE, 2025-2029).

20. **LIGHTWEIGHT EU** Strengthening EU lightweight policies for a unified European approach. (INTERREG EUROPE, 2025-2029).



## Finalised projects:

1. **RInnoValleys** Transforming regions into innovation valleys. (HORIZON EUROPE, 2023-2024).
2. **Tecniospring INDUSTRY** ACCIÓ programme to foster mobility of researchers with a focus in applied research and technology transfer. (HORIZON2020, 2019-2024).
3. **ATLAS** Supporting 2 SMEs in the transition to more sustainable business models.(SMP, 2022-2024).
4. **GOOSE** Generating international public procurement opportunities for european SMEs. (COSME, 2021-2024).
5. **AI REGIO** Regions and DIHs alliance for AI-driven digital transformation of European Manufacturing SME. (HORIZON2020, 2020-2023).
6. **GO SME** Good practices in SME innovation support. (HORIZON2020, 2021-2023).
7. **DigiTVC** Digitization of the Textile Value Chain. (INTERREG SUDOE, 2020-2023).
8. **CLIP** Clusters Innovation Programme. (HORIZON2020, 2021-2022).
9. **RESET** Regions for Social Economy business development. (COSME, 2021-2022).
10. **DRIVE INML** Improving the competitiveness of companies in the cross-border area through the international leadership in its niche markets. (INTERREG POCTEFA, 2020-2022).
11. **MEDVALLEY** Developing competitive innovation ecosystems in the Mediterranean. (EUROPEAID, 2020-2022).
12. **MEDVENTURES** Boosting innovators in the Mediterranean. (EUROPEAID, 2017-2022).
13. **RaiSE** enhancing social enterprises competitiveness through improved business support policies. (INTERREG EUROPE, 2017-2022).
14. **MANUNET III** Era-Net Cofund on Advanced manufacturing Technologies. (HORIZON2020, 2016-2022).
15. **Tecniospring PLUS** ACCIÓ programme to foster mobility of researchers with a focus in applied research and technology transfer. (HORIZON2020, 2016-2022).
16. **S3Chem** Smart Chemistry Specialisation Strategy (INTERREG EUROPE, 2016-2022).
17. **S34Growth** Enhancing policies through interregional cooperation: New industrial value chains for growth. (INTERREG EUROPE, 2016-2022).
18. **EMEUEUROPE** Era-Net Cofund on Electric Mobility Europe. (HORIZON2020, 2016-2021).
19. **INNCAT 20-21** Enhancing INNnovation management capacity of CATalan small and medium enterprises. (HORIZON2020, 2020-2021).
20. **CATCIM 20-21** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (COSME, 2020-2021).
21. **SILK** Social Solidarity Economy International Learning and Knowledge Community of Peers. (OECD Global Action, 2021).

22. **INTER TEX** Joint strategy to foster SMEs internationalisation in textile sector within SUDOE region. (INTERREG SUDOE, 2016-2019).
23. **LINKS UP** Promoting interaction to stimulate the growth of start-ups in the SUDOE region. (INTERREG SUDOE, 2016-2019).
24. **EMPOWA** Enhancing the participation of Women entrepreneurs in the Horizon 2020 SME Instrument. (COSME, 2017-2019).
25. **GREENOMED** Mediterranean transregional cooperation for green manufacturing innovation. (INTERREG MED, 2017-2019).
26. **INNCAT19** Enhancing INNOvation management capacity of CATalan small and medium enterprises. (HORIZON2020, 2019).
27. **CATCIM19** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (COSME, 2019).
28. **Tecniospring** ACCIÓ programme to foster mobility of researchers with a focus in applied research and technology transfer. (SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2013-2018).
29. **INNCAT 17-18** Enhancing INNOvation management capacity of CATalan small and medium enterprises. (HORIZON2020, 2017-2018).
30. **CATCIM 17-18** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (COSME, 2017-2018).
31. **ScaleCat** Support young innovative companies scaling-up their activities in the Single Market Consultation. (COSME, 2017-2018).
32. **PPACT** Improving SME's access to public procurement. (COSME, 2017-2018).
33. **BIOPHOTONICS+** Photonic appliances for life sciences and health. (SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2012-2017).
34. **PLIS** Peer Learning Innovation services. (HORIZON2020, 2016-2017).
35. **MANUNET II** Supporting SMEs toward a new phase to European Research Area on new processes, adaptive manufacturing systems and the factory of the future. (SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2011-2016).
36. **OLAE+** Organic and Large Area Electronics. (SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2011-2016).
37. **ERANET TRANSPORT III** (SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2012-2016).
38. **EUROMED INVEST EU** Support to Business and Investment Partnerships in Southern Mediterranean. (ENPI CBC MED, 2013-2016).
39. **INNCAT 15-16** Enhancing INNOvation management capacity of CATalan small and medium enterprises. (HORIZON2020, 2015-2016).
40. **CATCIM 15-16** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (COSME, 2015-2016).
41. **EBTC** European Business Technology Centre. (ICI, 2008-2015).

42. **EAST INVEST** European Eastern Partnership Initiative. (ENPI CBC MED, 2010-2015).
43. **EMMINVEST** European Mobile and Mobility industries international INVESTment programme. (CIP, 2012-2015).
44. **WIDER** Green growing of SMEs: Innovation and development in the energy sector in MED area. (INTERREG MED, 2013-2015).
45. **MARIE** Mediterranean building rethinking for energy efficiency improvement. (INTERREG MED, 2011-2014).
46. **EU4SPORTSCLUSTERS** Internationalisation of European sports companies through clusters. (CIP, 2012-2014).
47. **CATCIM III** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (CIP, 2013-2014).
48. **CS2EU** Connecting Catalan SMEs to Europe. (CIP, 2013-2014).
49. **INNOCAT 2014** Enhancing INNovation management capacity of CATalan small and medium enterprises. (HORIZON2020, 2014).
50. **ETB PRO** European programme for TRANS-national R&D&I cooperation of Biotech SMEs. (SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2009-2013).
51. **I4W** Innovation for Welfare. (INTERREG IV C, 2008-2012).
52. **CATCIM II** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (CIP, 2011-2012).
53. **EVITA** Exchange, Valorisation and Transfer of regional best policy measures for SME support on IT and e-business Adoption. (INTERREG IV C, 2008-2011).
54. **EURO PROC** EU Regional Cooperation for SMEs access to Public Procurement. (INTERREG IV C, 2008-2011).
55. **CATCIM** CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. (CIP, 2008-2010).
56. **MANUNET** Walking towards an European regionally based research area on new processes and flexible intelligent manufacturing systems (SIXTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2006-2010).
57. **FIRE** Facilitating innovation in renewable energies. (SIXTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2006-2009).
58. **TRANSBIO** Matching Transoceanic Biotech Opportunities. (SIXTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, 2006-2008).
59. **MATEO** Matching Technologies and Opportunities. (INTERREG III C, 2005-2007).

## Summary of EU Projects

Below is a summary of the main European projects executed by ACCIO. The projects are listed according to the multiannual financial framework funding source.

### Multiannual financial framework 2021-2027

#### EU Programme: SINGLE MARKET PROGRAMME

**Project title:** CATCIM. CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. Enterprise Europe Network.

- **Description:** CATCIM is the Catalan node of the EEN provides value-added information services and highly specialised quality support to effectively increase the competitiveness of Network clients and positively impact the regional economy. The objective of the EEN is to help European SME to develop its innovative potential and improve its knowledge of European Union policies. CATCIM focuses on: innovation, technology transfer and internationalisation.
- **Duration:** 2 years and 6 months (01/01/2022 – 30/06/2025).
- **Budget:** 4,549,290€ (ACCIÓ: 3,042,805€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 5.
- **Url:** <http://www.een.cat>
- **Project status:** On going.



**Project title:** ATLAS. Supporting 2 SMEs in the transition to more sustainable business models.

- **Description:** Consortium coordination aims to provide 2 SMEs, Colibri and CITSALP innovation management capacities, advisory and training services in order to impact in the transition to more sustainable business models. ACCIÓ together with SBC (Social business City Barcelona Association) and TecnoCampus will guide to the 2 SMEs in their journey to a sustainable business transition. Following the principle of the “Hub and Spoke”, the consortium will be interacting with several regional stakeholders in a variety of ways to maximize the impact of the sustainability advisory and capacity building services and to contribute to the promotion of the benefits of sustainable business models among SMEs, contributing to the objectives of the Single Market Programme.
- **Duration:** 18 months (15/11/2022 – 14/05/2024).
- **Budget:** 106,649€ (ACCIÓ: 28,554€).
- **Role of ACCIÓ:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 5.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



## EU Programme: DIGITAL EUROPE

**Project title: DIH4CAT. Strengthening innovation through supporting cluster cooperation and start-up ecosystems in the South Neighbourhood countries.**

- **Description:** Digital Innovation Hub of Catalonia (DIH4CAT) is born as a non-profit regional innovation ecosystem which aims connecting the main technology infrastructure of the region to make them available for SMEs, start-ups and public administration with the objective of accelerating technology transformation towards a more green and digital industry. The consortium is led by the Government of Catalonia and composed of 7 technology partners leading the 7 technology areas (AI, HPC, Cybersecurity, Robotics, Photonics, 3D Printing and Connectivity), 1 business school, 2 employer's industrial associations, complemented with 19 associated partners.
- **Duration:** 44 months (01/05/2022 – 31/12/2025).
- **Budget:** 2,817,555€ (ACCIÓ: 244,790€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 31.
- **Url:** <https://dih4cat.cat/es/>
- **Project status:** On going.



## EU Programme: HORIZON EUROPE

**Project title: RETRIEVE. Reintegration of photovoltaic panel waste back into manufacturing as high value products**

- **Description:** In RETRIEVE we aim to combine PV upstream value chain organizations with beyond state-of-the-art recycling processes and techniques to improve circularity within the PV sector. RETRIEVE targets the upcycling of the components of the End of Life (EoL) solar panels, enhancing the material quality to meet current requirements for re-introduction into the PV value chain. RETRIEVE will increase the circularity and minimize the environmental impact of the PV industry by developing and demonstrating cost effective recycling technologies for the different components of a solar module; recycle glass to current PV specifications, purify production waste and EoL silicon to solar grade quality, recover silver and heavy metals, and polymer valorization with carbon capture. By lowering the financial burden of material recovery and increasing the value after recovery, RETRIEVE makes the overall module recycling process more profitable, and the project opens new paths for commercialization.
- **Duration:** 3 years and 6 months (01/10/2023 – 31/3/2027).
- **Budget:** 6,943,801.55€ (ACCIÓ: 193,025€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 18.
- **Url:** [www.retrieveproject.eu/](http://www.retrieveproject.eu/)
- **Project status:** On going.



**Project title: PRECISEU. PeRsonalised medicine Empowerment Connecting Innovation ecoSystems across EUrope**

- **Description:** Connect innovation ecosystems across Europe to efficiently advance towards a truly personalised healthcare and scaling up deep-tech healthcare innovations across Europe. By focusing on health data and advanced therapies as key drivers of personalized medicine models, the project will not only provide regional ecosystems with European connectivity but will most importantly address the significant and urgent needs of the regions.
- **Duration:** 5 year (01/07/2024 – 30/06/2029).
- **Budget:** 22,730,100€ (ACCIÓ: 925,750€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 25.
- **Project status:** On going.



**Project title: RinnoValleys. Transforming regions into innovation valleys**

- **Description:** The goal of this project is to create a transnational joint action plan, that aims to improve the capability of modest and moderate innovator regions to connect with the European Innovation Council (EIC). The EIC is a key player in the European Union's efforts to support innovation and provide funding for the development of new technologies and ideas. However, many modest innovator regions face challenges in accessing these resources and benefits. This project aims to bridge this gap and enable these regions to interact and participate more effectively in the EIC ecosystem.
- **Duration:** 1 year (01/12/2023 – 30/11/2024).
- **Budget:** 499,981€ (ACCIÓ: 83,250€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 6.
- **Url:** <https://rinnovalleys.eu/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: INTERREG VI**

**EU Programme INTERREG EUROPE**

**Project title: DeepTechValleys. Deep Tech Ecosystem Empowerment for Regional Transformation.**

- **Description:** DeepTechValleys enhances regional deep tech innovation policies, foster transnational cooperation, and empower connections to the EIC, thereby enabling regions to fully exploit their deep tech innovation potential.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/04/2024 – 31/03/2028).
- **Budget:** 2,255,184€ (ACCIÓ: 190,720€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 10.





- **Url:** [www.interregeurope.eu/deeptechvalleys](http://www.interregeurope.eu/deeptechvalleys)
- **Project status:** On going.

**Project title: PLASTIX. Plastics Revolution for European Regions.**

- **Description:** PLASTIX facilitates industrial transition towards a resource-efficient economy, circular economy growth and eco-innovations in participating regions, and in other European regions. By identifying good practices and novel solutions through interregional exchange and co-creation, the project aims at helping regional policy makers to improve and create policy mechanisms which facilitate industrial transition towards a resource-efficient economy.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/03/2023 – 28/02/2027).
- **Budget:** 1,693,175€ (ACCIÓ: 207,840€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 8.
- **Url:** [www.interregeurope.eu/plastix](http://www.interregeurope.eu/plastix)
- **Project status:** On going.



**Project title: ACCELERATE GDT. Realign Cluster Policies to Accelerate the Twin Green and Digital Transitions Plastics Revolution for European Regions.**

- **Description:** The overall objective of ACCELERATE GDT is to reinvent national and regional cluster policies to become more effective and support the twin green and digital transitions for cluster members to improve competitiveness and enhance sustainability.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/03/2023 – 28/02/2027).
- **Budget:** 1,511,488€ (ACCIÓ: 164,514€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 7.
- **Url:** [www.interregeurope.eu/accelerategdt](http://www.interregeurope.eu/accelerategdt)
- **Project status:** On going.



**Project title: CHARGE. Powering Charge Transition.**

- **Description:** The overall objective of CHARGE is to co-create regional policy improvements that facilitate the shift towards a society where batteries are developed, produced, reused and recycled in an innovative, safe and sustainable manner, and that support the implementation of the new battery regulation, hence leading to the rise of a low-carbon circular economy of batteries.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/05/2025 – 30/04/2029).
- **Budget:** 2,098,500€ (ACCIÓ: 251,500€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 12.
- **Url:**
- **Project status:** On going.



**Project title: WOMEX. The role of women in the competitiveness of exporting SMEs.**

- **Description:** The overall objective of WOMEX is to facilitate the change in business culture in EU regions so that the competitiveness and sustainable growth of exporting SMEs are not understood without equal opportunities for women within them. The project addresses the chronic limitations of women in their access to the benefits of international trade, an especially fertile field for professionals and companies.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/05/2025 – 30/04/2029).
- **Budget:** 1,738,950€ (ACCIÓ: 346,128€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 10.
- **Url:**
- **Project status:** On going.



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**Project title: LIGHTWEIGHT EU. Strengthening EU lightweight policies for a unified European approach.**

- **Description:** The overall objective of LIGHTWEIGHT EU is to develop an EU-wide strategic policy agenda on lightweight that could contribute to achieve the EU Green Deal goals. In this sense, the project fosters integrated lightweighting policies across the EU, enhancing industry competitiveness and environmental sustainability, aligned with the goals of a "Smarter Europe". Through strategic policy coordination and knowledge sharing, this project paves the way for a more integrated, innovative, and sustainable European lightweighting industry.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/05/2025 – 30/04/2029).
- **Budget:** 1,583,919€ (ACCIÓ: 236,364€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 9.
- **Url:**
- **Project status:** On going.



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**EU Programme INTERREG POCTEFA**

**Project title: PHYrene. Development of the cross-border hydrogen value chain in the Pyrenees.**

- **Description:** The main objective of the PHYrene project is to support the development and consolidation of the renewable hydrogen value chain on a cross-border scale, as well as to favour the identification and exploitation of business, research and institutional synergies that ensure the energy transition of the territory.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2026).
- **Budget:** 1,189,511.15€ (ACCIÓ: 184,052€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 8.





- **Url:** [www.poctefa.eu/proyectos/efa069-01-id-phyrene/](http://www.poctefa.eu/proyectos/efa069-01-id-phyrene/)
- **Project status:** On going.

## EU Programme INTERREG SUDOE

### Project title: SCAIRA. Startups Creation & Acceleration in Rural Areas.

- **Description:** The main goal of the project SCAIRA is to develop and deliver a tailored programme for start-up creation and acceleration to attract new economical assets in rural areas, to give answers to industrials in terms of green manufacturing and to provide capacity building between stakeholders of the innovation in the aerospace and automotive sectors.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/01/2024 – 31/12/2026).
- **Budget:** 1,865,807.42€ (ACCIÓ: N/A).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Associated Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 14.
- **Url:** <https://interreg-sudoe.eu/proyecto-interreg/scaira/>
- **Project status:** On going.

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### Project title: FASHION FORWARD. Fashion Forward.

- **Description:** The general objective of FASHION FORWARD is to promote the transition of the fashion industry in the SUDOE territory, especially in rural areas, towards a more sustainable, intelligent and digital model.
- **Duration:** 2 years and 6 months (01/01/2024 – 30/06/2026).
- **Budget:** 1,164,936.34€ (ACCIÓ: N/A).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Associated Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 24.
- **Url:** <https://interreg-sudoe.eu/proyecto-interreg/fashion-forward/>
- **Project status:** On going.

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## EU Programme: INTERREGIONAL INNOVATION INVESTMENT (I3)

### Project title: INSHAPE. European cross regional innovation for Sports & Active Healthy Lifestyle.

- **Description:** Strengthen the European digital economy by developing the ClusSport partnership (EU-recognised in the Smart Specialization Area (S3) of Sports and Vitality) into a European Competence Center for SME initiatives in the field of sport and vitality/technology.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/09/2023 – 31/08/2026).
- **Budget:** 6,719,228 € (ACCIÓ: 265,993€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 22.



- **Url:** [www.accio.gencat.cat/en/accio/agencia/projectes-europeus-aliances-i-feder/projectes-europeus-iniciatives-suport-ue/inshape/index.html](http://www.accio.gencat.cat/en/accio/agencia/projectes-europeus-aliances-i-feder/projectes-europeus-iniciatives-suport-ue/inshape/index.html)
- **Project status:** On going.

**Project title: CESAM. Circular Economy and Sustainability solutions for Agrifood in the Mediterranean.**

- **Description:** Investing in circular economy value chains in order to accelerate innovative and sustainable technologies in the agrifood sector and reinforcing interregional cohesion (the 2021-2027 S3s of Occitania, Catalonia and Balearic Islands).
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/09/2023 – 31/08/2026).
- **Budget:** 3,022,935 € (ACCIÓ: 148,226€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 9.
- **Url:** <https://euroregio.eu/cesam>
- **Project status:** On going.



**EU Programme: EUROPEAID**

**Project title: EUROMED CLUSTERS FORWARD. Strengthening innovation through supporting cluster cooperation and start-up ecosystems in the South Neighbourhood countries.**

- **Description:** The global objective of this project is to contribute to the creation of sustainable jobs in the Neighbourhood South by increasing competitiveness of SMEs and stimulating an environment conducive to innovation and economic growth.
- **Duration:** 3 years and 8 months (01/04/2022 – 31/12/2025).
- **Budget:** 7,000,000€ (ACCIÓ: 205,725€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Affiliated partner.
- **Number of participants:** 11.
- **Url:** <https://anima.coop/en/our-projects/euromed-clusters-forward/>
- **Project status:** On going.



**EU Programme: ERASMUS+**

**Project title: METASKILLS4TCLF. Alliance for cooperation on digital and circular economy skills for the tclf sector across europe.**

- **Description:** The project will contribute in the upskilling/reskilling of Textile, Clothing, Leather and Footwear (TCLF) companies and workers to successfully address the digital and circular transformation of these industries, while modernising the TCLF education systems in Europe.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/09/2023 – 31/08/2027).
- **Budget:** 3,999,986€ (ACCIÓ: N/A).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Associated partner.
- **Number of participants:** 30.
- **Url:** [www.metaskills4tclf.eu/](http://www.metaskills4tclf.eu/)
- **Project status:** On going.



## CASCADE FUNDING

### SOURCE: HORIZON EUROPE Projects

#### Project title: Support to EIC Accelerator by the Enterprise Europe Network (EEN2EIC)

- **Description:** ACCIÓ as a node of the Enterprise Europe Network (CATCIM project) will support the European Innovation Council (EIC) through the coordination of 3 European sub-projects with the aim of create a bridge between the 2 projects to support innovation, expand companies and involve the most relevant players in the EIC & EEN landscape, improve the ability of SMEs to apply for the EIC. And specifically, with a focus on companies led by women and companies from the widening/associated countries and help to the Seal of Excellence (SoE) to finance their projects.
- **Duration:** 3 years (30/06/2023 – 31/7/2025).
- **Budget:** No pre-assigned budget.
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 1.
- **Url:** <https://een2eic.eu/>
- **Project status:** On going.



#### Project title: AIRISE - AMBASSADORS (AIRISE - AMBASSADORS)

- **Description:** Accelerate the uptake of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the context of manufacturing throughout the European Union.
- **Duration:** 1 year (15/03/2024 – 30/07/2025).
- **Budget:** 26,250€ (ACCIÓ: 26,250€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 1.
- **Url:** <https://airise.eu/>
- **Project status:** On going.



## FEDER

### SOURCE: MDO-FEDER (ACCIÓ) Projects

#### Project title: MDO-ACCIÓ. Mecanisme de Descoberta d'Oportunitats RIS3CAT - ACCIÓ

- **Description:** Work around the systemic transformation of RIS3CAT 2030 for a sustainable and competitive industrial system.
- **Duration:** 3 years (04/05/2024 – 22/12/2025).
- **Budget:** 495,000€ (ACCIÓ: 197,597€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 1.



- **Url:**  
[https://fonseuropeus.gencat.cat/ca/ris3cat/2030/governanca/index.html#googtrans\(ca|en\)](https://fonseuropeus.gencat.cat/ca/ris3cat/2030/governanca/index.html#googtrans(ca|en))
- **Project status:** On going.

## Multiannual financial framework 2014-2020

### EU Programme: HORIZON 2020

**Project title: Tecniospring INDUSTRY. ACCIÓ programme to foster mobility of researchers with a focus in applied research and technology transfer.**

- **Description:** TECNIOspring Industry is an international mobility project for experienced researchers willing to develop their research career in an R&D entity around the world or in a company in Catalonia. It offers two type of modalities:
  - Incoming: two years contract in a Catalan company, Technological centre for researchers from any nationality.
  - Outgoing + return: 1 year contract in a research centre or R&D department of a private company abroad and one-year contract in a Catalan company or in a Technological centre for researchers from any nationality.
- **Duration:** 5 years (01/06/2019 – 31/05/2024).
- **Budget:** 11,085,120€.
- **Role of ACCIÓ:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** Sole participant.
- **Url:** [www.tecniospring.com](http://www.tecniospring.com)
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: AI REGIO. Regions and DIHs alliance for AI-driven digital transformation of European Manufacturing SMEs.**

- **Description:** AI REGIO aims to establish the framework to improve support for European industrial SMEs in their digital transformation linked to Artificial Intelligence. The EU-funded AI REGIO project is addressing policy, technology and business barriers facing the AI-focussed DIHs, which prevent them from fully embracing the new digital reality. Addressing regional, cross-regional and pan-European issues will ensure that the EU takes the lead in digital manufacturing, creating new opportunities for innovation and growth.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/10/2020 – 30/09/2023).
- **Budget:** 9,200,080€ (ACCIÓ 140,140€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 36.
- **Url:** [www.airegio-project.eu](http://www.airegio-project.eu)
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: GO SME. Good Practices in SME innovation support.**

- **Description:** GO SME project responds to the need to provide financial support to SMEs and start-ups for the development of their innovative ideas. The aim of GO SME is to share the best practices of participating research funding organisations (RFOs) and their mutual learning in designing programmes which would support SMEs and start-ups in an initial assessment of

their innovative ideas so that they can progress to more advanced stages of innovation development.

- **Duration:** 2 years (01/05/2021 – 30/04/2023).
- **Budget:** 500,000€ (ACCIÓ: 43,369€).
- **Role of ACCIÓ:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 15.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: Tecniospring PLUS. ACCIÓ programme to foster mobility of researchers with a focus in applied research and technology transfer.**

- **Description:** TECNIOspring PLUS is an international mobility project for experienced researchers willing to develop their research career in an R&D entity around the world. The programme offers two type of modalities:
  - **Incoming:** two years contract in a Catalan company, Technological centre for researchers from any nationality.
  - **Outgoing + return:** 1 year contract in a research centre or R&D department of a private company abroad and one-year contract in a Catalan company or in a Technological centre for researchers from any nationality.
- **Duration:** 5 years and 8 months (01/07/2016 – 28/02/2022).
- **Budget:** 10,195,200€.
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** Sole participant.
- **Url:** [www.tecniospring.com](http://www.tecniospring.com)
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: MANUNET III. Era-Net Cofund on Advanced manufacturing Technologies.**

- **Description:** MANUNET III pretends to create a smart sustainable growth in the European manufacturing sector by coordinating the research and innovation efforts in the field of advanced manufacturing with a special focus on the key areas of new production processes, adaptive manufacturing systems and technologies for the factory of the future. MANUNET III will also reinforce the territorial cohesion through an extended collaboration network by promoting the transnational research, innovation and entrepreneurship in the industrial sector, especially in SMEs, which are the backbone of Europe's economy, through yearly calls for proposals
- **Duration:** 5 years and 6 months (01/09/2016 – 28/02/2022).
- **Budget:** 16,778,672€ (ACCIÓ: 177,936€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 26.
- **Url:** <http://www.manUNET.net/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: CLIP. Clusters Innovation Programme.**

- **Description:** Catalonia, Denmark and Lower Austria are considered pioneers in cluster policy, which is aimed at improving business competitiveness using clusters as a tool. In this context, the EU-funded CLIP project will further develop their cluster programmes. Specifically, it will analyse the evolution from a single-level cluster programme towards a multilevel method, improve the governance model from a cluster perspective and from the system, and enable clusters to extend their full potential as essential neighbouring policies.
- **Duration:** 12 months (01/02/2021 – 31/01/2022).
- **Budget:** 50,000€ (ACCIÓ: 19,300€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 3.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: INNCAT. Enhancing Innovation management capacity of Catalan small and medium enterprises.**

- **Description:** This project offers assessment, mentoring and coaching services to SMEs with the objective of increasing and accelerating the economic returns from innovation. As coordinator of the Catalan node of the EEN, ACCIÓ offers a wide range of innovation services to SMEs. These services are focused on enhancing innovation management capacities of SMEs. ACCIÓ will provide this new specialised service to two specific groups of enterprises: Beneficiaries of the SME instrument; SMEs with significant innovation activities and a high potential for internationalisation.
- **Duration:** 7 years and 5 months (01/07/2014 – 31/12/2021).
- **Budget:** 968,331€ ACCIÓ.
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** Sole participant.
- **Url:** <http://www.een.cat>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: EMEUROPE. Era-Net Cofund on Electric Mobility Europe.**

- **Description:** EMEurope builds on the experience and the progress made in the FP7 ERA-NET Plus initiative Electromobility+ (2010-2015). EMEurope takes the transnational cooperation in this field to a higher level by supporting the integration of new technologies into the existing transport system – focusing on urban and suburban areas – and by facilitating a stronger alignment of strategy and policy among the relevant stakeholders at the national, regional and local levels. The close cooperation foreseen with EGVA will guarantee complementarity to work done in the field.
- **Duration:** 5 years (01/10/2016 – 30/09/2021).
- **Budget:** 18,972,433€ (ACCIÓ 254,230€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 22.
- **Url:** [www.electricmobilityeurope.eu](http://www.electricmobilityeurope.eu)





- **Project status:** Finalised.

**Project title: PLIS. Peer Learning Innovation Services.**

- **Description:** The overall objective of PLIS is to enable innovation support institutions in regions across Europe to quickly and effectively develop new initiatives as well as refine current methodologies that will engage, encourage and aid SMEs to use Service Innovation as a mean for maintaining or increasing competitiveness, growth and jobs.
- **Duration:** 12 months (01/11/2016 – 31/10/2017).
- **Budget:** 50,000€ (ACCIÓ: 12.500€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 4.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: COSME**

**Project title: GOOSE. Generating international public procurement opportunities for european SME's.**

- **Description:** GOOSE project will offer tools, advice and guidance to help European SMEs build the capacity, capability, and knowledge so that they can compete for public procurement opportunities in third countries. More specifically, the consortium aims to:
  - Enhance the knowledge and capacity of BSOs
  - Strengthen the cooperation between BSO and institutions from Europe and those from third countries.
  - Deliver three levels of services to help overcome invisible barriers to SMEs in four sectors, which are Green Economy, Smart Health, ICT and Smart Cities.
  - Organize Meet the Buyers and Meet the Partner events in four of the six targeted markets: Japan, Norway, Serbia, Chile, Colombia and Vietnam.
  - Integrate the internationalization strategy developed by the Consortium with the internationalization of each respective EU country.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/06/2021 – 30/05/2024).
- **Budget:** 533,075€ (ACCIÓ: 160,270€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 4.
- **Url:** <https://projectgoose.eu/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: RESET. Regions for social economy business development**

- **Description:** RESET aims at strongly accelerating the development and acknowledgement of support to social economy business development at regional level and enhance its inter-regional dimension. Regions with expertise in the field from different EU Member States, in cooperation with the most relevant stakeholders from each participant region, will exchange good practices, with the aim of paving the way towards a future interregional learning



community that is also able to spread its know-how to other cities and regions and provide, on a regular basis, recommendations to the European Commission and other EU policy-makers.

- **Duration:** 12 months (01/02/2021 – 31/01/2022).
- **Budget:** 78.286€ (ACCIÓ: 26.873€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 5.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: CATCIM. CATalan services for Competitiveness and Innovation in the global Market. Enterprise Europe Network.**

- **Description:** CATCIM is the Catalan node of the EEN provides value-added information services and highly specialised quality support to effectively increase the competitiveness of Network clients and positively impact the regional economy. The objective of the EEN is to help European SME to develop its innovative potential and improve its knowledge of European Union policies. CATCIM focuses on: innovation, technology transfer and internationalisation.
- **Duration:** 13 years and 8 months (01/04/2008 – 31/12/2021).
- **Budget:** 18,219,101€ (ACCIÓ: 13,202,401).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 3.
- **Url:** <http://www.een.cat>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



\*During the period (01/04/2008 – 31/12/2014) the CATCIM project has been funded by the European Programme: CIP Competitiveness and innovation framework programme

**Project title: EMPOWA. Enhancing the participation of Women entrepreneurs in the Horizon 2020 SME Instrument.**

- **Description:** EMPOWA is a strategic alliance of research, innovation and business stakeholders, aiming to boost the participation of women entrepreneurs in the Horizon 2020-SME Instrument programme. More specifically, the consortium aims to:
  - Identify and map women entrepreneurs with innovative companies and potential to successfully apply for the SME Instrument
  - Raise awareness on SME Instrument and the related EEN services
  - Train, Mentor and Advise, through customized services, women entrepreneurs
  - Share good practices and create a role model for women entrepreneurs.
- **Duration:** 2 years (01/10/2017 – 30/09/2019).
- **Budget:** 277,761€ (ACCIÓ: 61,970€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 6.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: PPACT. Improving SME's access to public procurement**

- **Description:** PPACT (Public Procurement and Cross-Border Tendering), intends to strongly contribute towards this overall COSME objective, by reinforcing key SME capabilities for cross-border tendering and promoting collaborative approaches between Business Support Organizations, who will work together on an opportunity-based approach, to help SMEs to take advantage of cross-border procurement opportunities.
- **Duration:** 18 months (01/05/2017 – 31/10/2018).
- **Budget:** 333,313€ (ACCIÓ: 74,513€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 5.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: ScaleCat. Support young innovative companies scaling-up their activities in the Single Market Consultation.**

- **Description:** ScaleCat objective is to identify 5 young Catalan SMEs with potential and help them to scale up their activities in the Single Market. During 18 months, ACCIÓ will help SMEs drafting an action plan and an international expansion plan, to help SMEs to commercialise products/services beyond domestic borders.
- **Duration:** 18 months (01/06/2017 – 30/11/2018).
- **Budget:** 49,947€.
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** Sole participant.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: INTERREG V**

**INTERREG EUROPE:**

**Project title: S34Growth. Enhancing policies through interregional cooperation: New industrial value chains for growth.**

- **Description:** S34Growth is a project based on Vanguard Initiative, which aims de revitalisation of European industries. The project strives to develop and improve pre-existing regional policy instruments in this field. S34Growth engages ten European regions from 8 European countries willing to collaborate and exchange experiences and knowledge.
- **Duration:** 5 years (01/04/2016 – 30/09/2022).
- **Budget:** 2,353,817€ (ACCIÓ: 223,831€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 11.
- **Url:** <http://www.interregeurope.eu/s34growth/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: S3Chem. Smart Chemistry Specialisation Strategy.**

- **Description:** S3Chem seeks to develop and improve the implementation of RIS (Regional Innovation Strategies) in the field of Chemistry. The project bases on an interregional exchange of experiences and mutual learning among public authorities from seven European chemical regions.
- **Duration:** 6 years (01/04/2016 – 30/09/2022).
- **Budget:** 2,298,149€ (ACCIÓ: 356,653€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 9.
- **Url:** <http://www.interregeurope.eu/s3chem/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: RaiSE. Enhancing social enterprises competitiveness through improved business support policies.**

- **Description:** RaiSE seeks to contribute towards the competitiveness in SE sector in the EU through improved regional policy development and implementation, enabling specialised business assistance and support. RaiSE particular focus is on promoting growth and access to markets, thereby targeting relatively consolidated SE.
- **Duration:** 5 years and 6 months (01/07/2017 – 31/08/2022)
- **Budget:** 1,785,880€ (ACCIÓ: 458,798€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 7.
- **Url:** <http://www.interregeurope.eu/raise/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: INTERREG SUDOE:**

**Project title: DIGITVC. Digitization of the Textile Value Chain.**

- **Description:** DigiTVC aims to address the challenge of digitizing SMEs in the textile sector. DigiTVC will develop methodologies and tools that allow SMEs to have quick access to new digitization solutions in order to provide differential added value, regain lost competitiveness and successfully address the main challenges of the sector: more speed and flexibility, new demands of the market, customized products and services, greater traceability, specialization and more efficient, productive and connected factories.
- **Duration:** 2 years and 11 months (01/05-2020 - 31/03/2023).
- **Budget:** 851,172€ (ACCIÓ: 158,236€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 7.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: LINKS UP. Promoting interaction to stimulate the growth of start-ups in the SUDOE region.**

- **Description:** LINKS UP is an interregional project to promote and improve Start Up's growth and competitiveness in southwest Europe. The project focuses on the Start-Up development phase, working on the acceleration process. To achieve the objective LINKS UP works on three main areas:
  - Improving access to finance
  - Improving close-to-market actions
  - Improving the Start-up professionalization through sector specialization

The project focuses on tourism, health and ICT sectors.

- **Duration:** 3 years (01/07/2016 – 30/06/2019).
- **Budget:** 1,120,000€ (ACCIÓ 200,000€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 6.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: INTER-TEX. Joint strategy to foster SMEs internationalization in textile sector within SUDOE region.**

- **Description:** INTER-TEX pursues the SME's internationalization in textile industry activating interregional trade exchange and creating transnational value chains. The project main objectives are:
  - To build a transnational cooperation network to support SME's internationalisation.
  - To promote vertical and horizontal cooperation among SME.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/07/2016– 30/06/2019).
- **Budget:** 966,883€ (ACCIÓ: 127,384€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 8.
- **Url:** [www.intertex-sudoe.eu](http://www.intertex-sudoe.eu)
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: INTERREG POCTEFA**

**Project title: DRIVEINML. Improving the competitiveness of companies in the cross-border area through the international leadership in its niche Markets.**

- **Description:** DRIVE INML focuses on the so-called International Niche Market leaders (INML) also known as "hidden champions". This typology of companies is characterized by a leadership in international niche markets with a strong orientation towards foreign markets and a sustained growth of profitability. DRIVEINML aims to identify a sample of INML companies in the cross-border area in order to detect common patterns that have allowed these entities to position themselves as leaders in the international niche markets.

Once this analysis has been carried out, a new cross-border common service will be developed aimed at this type of company, focused on training, acceleration and internationalization.

- **Duration:** 2 years and 4 months (01/01/2020- 30/04/2022).
- **Budget:** 575,435€ (ACCIÓ: 160,658€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 4.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



## EU Programme: INTERREG MED

### Project title: GREENOMED. Mediterranean Transregional Cooperation for green manufacturing innovation.

- **Description:** The overall objective of GREENOMED is to increase the transnational innovation capability of MED Regions through the extensive testing and transfer of a Clusters-coordinated cooperation methodology that was conceived in the frame of the “Vanguard Initiative–New Growth Through Smart Specialization”. The thematic focus of GREENOMED is on green growth and, in particular, on energy efficiency, waste management/recycling and eco-innovation in manufacturing. The Vanguard ESM pilot already targeted these topics as high priorities.
- **Duration:** 2 years and 6 months (01/02/2017- 01/07/2019).
- **Budget:** 2,050,000€ (ACCIÓ: no budget).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Associated partner.
- **Number of participants:** 20.
- **Url:** <https://greenomed.interreg-med.eu>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



## EU Programme: EUROPEAID

### Project title: MEDVENTURES. Boosting innovators in the Mediterranean. The Next Society.

- **Description:** The ultimate goal of MedVentures is to accelerate job creation and stimulate competitiveness in MED (South Mediterranean Partner Countries) countries by developing capacities and international linkages of leading innovation actors. The final beneficiaries of MedVentures are young graduates, job seekers and entrepreneurs, Private sector organisations, innovation support organisations and Society at. To achieve its goal with these actors, the project plans to involve all the stakeholders in the innovation chain.
- **Duration:** 3 years and 6 months (01/01/2017 – 30/06/2022).
- **Budget:** 3,300,000€ (ACCIÓ: 63,182€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Affiliated partner.
- **Number of participants:** 19.
- **Url:** <https://www.thenextsociety.co>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: MEDVALLEY. Developing competitive innovation ecosystems in the Mediterranean. The Next Society.**

- **Description:** THE NEXT SOCIETY is an open community of change makers engaged in innovation and economic development. It gathers entrepreneurs, investors, corporates, NGOs, public and private innovation, research and economic development hubs from Europe and the Mediterranean countries.
- **Duration:** 22 months (01/09/2020 - 30/06/2022).
- **Budget:** 4,400,000€ (ACCIÓ: 119,865€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Affiliated partner.
- **Number of participants:** 11.
- **Url:** <https://www.thenextsociety.co>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: OECD GLOBAL ACTION**

**Project title: SILK. Social Solidarity Economy International Learning and Knowledge Community of Peers.**

- **Description:** Exchange of good practices and knowledge between entities, organizations and stakeholders in the field of internationalization of social and solidarity economy organizations.
- **Duration:** 6 months (01/04/2021 – 31/10/2021).
- **Budget:** 378,000€ (ACCIÓ: 4,500€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 23.
- **Project status:** Finalised.





## Multiannual financial framework 2007-2013

### EU Programme: SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

**Project title:** Tecniospring. ACCIÓ programme to foster mobility of researchers with a focus in applied research and technology transfer.

- **Description:** TECNIOspring is an international mobility project that gives experienced researchers the possibility to develop their research career in a TECNIO centre around the world. It is addressed to highly talented and motivated experienced researchers, to give them the opportunity to develop their research career in their area of interest, with focus on technology transfer.
- **Duration:** 5 years (01/04/2013- 31/03/2018).
- **Budget:** 7,850,640€.
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** Sole participant.
- **Url:** [www.tecniospring.com](http://www.tecniospring.com)
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title:** BIOPHOTONICS+. Photonic appliances for life sciences and health.

- **Description:** BIOPHOTONICS+ aims to consolidate the respective funding activities in the participating countries and science, primarily focusing on Biophotonics methods and applications that are translatable into products on the short term and to develop, refine and combine existing biophotonic technology to the stage of pre-commercial demonstrators for converting them into commercial products.
- **Duration:** 5 years (01/09/2012- 31/08/2017).
- **Budget:** 15,300,000€ (ACCIÓ: 251,500€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 8.
- **Url:** <http://www.biophotonicsplus.eu/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title:** OLAE+. Organic and Large Area Electronics.

- **Description:** OLAE+ seeks proposals to develop and stimulate the technology and business relationships within the European OLAE community, building the supply chain and removing barriers to industrialisation, through yearly calls for proposals.
- **Duration:** 5 years (01/10/2011- 30/09/2016).
- **Budget:** 18,443,452€ (ACCIÓ: 633,021€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 9.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: ERANET TRANSPORT III.**

- **Description:** ENT was a network of national and regional transport research programmes in Europe. The project mainly served to the owners and managers of transport research programmes by facilitating cooperation between their national/regional funding programmes in order to reduce fragmentation of the European Research Area (ERA) for Transport.
- **Duration:** 3 years and 6 months (01/11/2012 –30/04/2016)
- **Budget:** 2,797,959€ (ACCIÓ: 15,300€)
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner
- **Number of participants:** 25
- **Project status:** Finalised



**Project title: MANUNET II. Supporting SMEs toward a new phase to European Research Area on new processes, adaptive manufacturing systems and the factory of the future.**

- **Description:** MANUNET II was a 4-year cooperation agreement among regions with the objective to promote and fund transnational research and development projects in the field of manufacturing, through yearly calls for proposals. MANUNET II planned to carry out 4 new calls for proposals with a high cooperation among regions/countries, more funding by countries/regions, higher R&D investment mobilized, appropriate dates and effective dissemination.
- **Duration:** 5 years and 6 months (01/04/2011-30/09/2016).
- **Budget:** 1,745,448€ (ACCIÓ: 150,187€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 17.
- **Url:** <http://www.manunet.net/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: ETB EURO TRANS BIO. European programme for Trans-national R&D&I cooperation of Biotech SMEs.**

- **Description:** ETB-PRO was an international funding initiative supported by European program owners. It established itself as the preferred funding instrument for small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs), collaborating in the area of modern biotechnology.

The mission of ETB was to foster the competitiveness of the European biotechnology industry by supporting research intensive SMEs and their strategic partner with the aim of achieving a thriving European biotechnology industry.

- **Duration:** 5 years (01/01/2009 - 31/12/2013).
- **Budget:** 3,166,533€ (ACCIÓ: 141,998€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 8.
- **Project status:** Finalised.





## EU Programme: ENPI CBC MED

### Project title: EUROMED INVEST. EU Support to Business and Investment Partnerships in Southern Mediterranean.

- **Description:** EUROMED Invest boosted private business and investment within the Euro-Med area to contribute to an inclusive economic development of the region.  
The specific objective of the project was to empower Euro-Med business and investment networks to implement targeted strategies supporting the creation and the international development of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises in order to boost private business and investment within the Euro-Med area.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/12/2013- 31/12/2016).
- **Budget:** 5,000,000€ (ACCIÓ: 350,000€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner (as ANIMA member).
- **Number of participants:** 7 umbrella organizations (80 members).
- **Project status:** Finalised.



### Project title: EAST INVEST. European Eastern Partnership Initiative.

- **Description:** East Invest was a regional investment and trade facilitation project for the economic development of the Eastern Neighborhood region. It targets Business support organisations and SMEs from the 6 Eastern Partnership countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine), who had potential for developing mutual cooperation and investment relations with the European Union.
- **Duration:** 5 years (01/11/2010 – 31/10/2015).
- **Budget:** 7,000,000€ (ACCIÓ: 16,960€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 85.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



## EU Programme: INTERREG IV

### EU Programme: INTERREG MED

### Project title: WIDER. Green growing of SMEs: Innovation and development in the energy sector in MED area.

- **Description:** WIDER aimed at improving and sharing knowledge management regarding innovation, markets opportunities and new products of SMEs all along the supply chain of the eco-smart housing for independent living of elderly sector in 7 MED regional industrial areas thanks to the implementation of targeted pilot projects.
- **Duration:** 2 years and 6 months (01/01/2013- 30/06/2015).
- **Budget:** 2,525,746€ (ACCIÓ: 278,095€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 10.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: MARIE. Mediterranean building rethinking for energy efficiency improvement.**

- **Description:** MARIE allows the countries of the Mediterranean basin to develop a common policy in relation to energy renovation of buildings by creating a socioeconomic context and more appropriate technical and financial leverage capacity. The project aims to identify and supply the points of leverage in such a way which stimulates the market for energy efficiency technologies in connection with buildings.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/04/2011- 31/03/2014).
- **Budget:** 5,913,880€ (ACCIÓ: 317,264€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 23.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: INTERREG IV C**

**Project title: I4W. Innovation for Welfare.**

- **Description:** Innovation 4 Welfare brought together policymakers, knowledge providers, economic and social intermediaries and health institutions, implementing projects and policies across six regions. These stakeholders shared exchanged, transferred and implemented good practices and made efforts to renew the regional policy agenda.
  - The six regions had the challenge to work on issues in the following application fields:
  - Services and products for special target groups (like elderly people);
  - Accessibility, mobility and smart homes;
  - Medical and home care systems;
  - Safety and security.
  - In these application fields technical solutions within ICT, food- and bio-technology, advanced materials and design have been applied.
- **Duration:** 4 years (01/10/2008- 30/09/2012).
- **Budget:** 4,812,101€ (ACCIÓ: 1,023,665€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 6.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: EVITA. Exchange, Valorisation and Transfer of regional best policy measures for SME support on IT and e-business Adoption.**

- **Description:** EVITA built on various good practices developed under different regional and interregional development programs, in order to improve the effectiveness of regional development policies in the area of the access of SMEs, to knowledge, information, e-business practices and the global digital economy, in regions with low IT and e-business penetration. The main objective of the project was to share, exchange, transfer and disseminate “best practice” regional policy measures, implemented by experienced regional authorities, and



recognized by the European Commission, in the area of: SME support for IT adoption, training of SMEs on e-business and the digital economy.

- **Duration:** 3 years (01/10/2008 – 30/09/2011).
- **Budget:** 1,652,212€ (ACCIÓ: 168,580€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 10.
- **Url:** <http://evita-interreg4c.eu/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.

#### **Project title: EuroPROC. EU Regional Cooperation for SMEs access to Public. Procurement**

- **Description:** The overall objective of the EuroPROC project was to increase the competitiveness of EU regions and SMEs when participating in EU tendering systems. Key points were to fill the existing gap among the different EU regions involved, contributing to the catching up process in Central and Eastern Europe. This was done through a balanced partnership of 11 partners coming from 10 EU member states.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/09/2008- 31/08/2011).
- **Budget:** 1,513,780€ (ACCIÓ: 452,204€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 11.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



#### **EU Programme: ICI. Bilateral Cooperation with Industrialised Countries**

##### **Project title: EBTC. Promoting European Clean technologies in India & tackling climate change - European Business Technology Centre**

- **Description:** The objective of EBTC was the establishment of a European Business and Technology Centre to improve links between European and Indian businesses and with Science and Technology (ST) stakeholders involving business, industry and public bodies with a view to essentially promote the EU interests in India and tap the fast-growing Indian economy. The centre expected to build synergies among the national chambers of commerce of Member States established in India; collaborate with the European business associations in India and Europe; provide an interface between public policy makers and private actors and raise awareness about existing European programmes in the field of Science & Technology and business and industry cooperation.
- **Duration:** 7 years and 3 months (01/10/2008- 31/12/2015).
- **Budget:** 6,600,000€ (ACCIÓ: 122,723€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 39.
- **Url:** <http://ebtc.eu/>
- **Project status:** Finalised.



#### **EU Programme: CIP. Competitiveness and innovation framework programme**

**Project title: EMMINVEST. European Mobile and Mobility industries international INVESTment programme.**

- **Description:** EMMINVEST focused on facilitating investment into entrepreneurial SMEs to build mobile mobility services & products into sizable, sustainable and internationalized businesses. EMMINVEST works with regional & national innovation agencies to identify high-potential businesses and support them in developing growth plans.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/03/2012- 28/02/2015).
- **Budget:** 1,958,104€ (ACCIÓ: 190.677€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 5.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: CS2EU. Connecting Catalan SMEs to Europe.**

- **Description:** CS2EU collaborated with stakeholders in the automotive, manufacturing and agrofood sector in Catalonia to increase SME awareness and participation in research and innovation EU programmes, mainly Horizon 2020.
- **Duration:** 12 months (12/11/2013- 12/11/2014).
- **Budget:** 12,000€.
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** Sole participant.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: EU4SPORTSCLUSTERS. Internationalisation of European sports companies through clusters.**

- **Description:** The objective of the project was to support the internationalization of sports enterprises outside the European Union, especially SMEs, using clusters as a tool. To fulfil the aforementioned objectives, the EU4SportsClusters was made up of two main blocs. The first was aimed at building trust among the different clusters and their enterprises. The second was the practical implementation of the methodology and consisted of two pilot missions abroad (Russia and Brazil).
- **Duration:** 2 years (09/01/2012- 08/01/2014).
- **Budget:** 750,000€ (ACCIÓ: 75,000€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 4.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**EU Programme: SIXTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME**

**Project title: MANUNET. Walking towards a European regionally based research area on new processes and flexible intelligent manufacturing systems.**

- **Description:** MANUNET is a network (ERA-NET) funded by the European Commission under the 6FP. Coordination Action tackled the challenge of supporting the building up of the

European Research Area on Manufacturing, mainly based on a regional structure. The main objectives are, the execution of two Common Call for Proposals for Research in Manufacturing, open to 22 European Regions and to establish a joint coordination of R&D support initiatives in Manufacturing

- **Duration:** 4 years and 7 months (01/04/2006 - 31/10/2010).
- **Budget:** 2,696,220€ (ACCIÓ: 127,000€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 24.
- **Url:** <http://www.manunet.net/>.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: FIRE. Facilitating innovation in renewable energies.**

- **Description:** The aim of FIRE was to facilitate and promote the participation of SMEs from the Renewable Energy Sector (RES) in the framework programme, with a clear focus on the phasing out FP7. The strategic approach was based on:
  - The identification of innovation potential in SMEs.
  - A "bottom-up" approach in mobilising SME participation.
  - The creation of Interactive European sectorial workshops.
  - Comprehensive guidance and follow-up programme to ensure that SMEs are provided with the adequate support and guidance from a panel of experts.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/12/2006- 30/11/2009).
- **Budget:** 1,183,373€ (ACCIÓ: 123,848€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Partner.
- **Number of participants:** 14.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



**Project title: TRANSBIO. Matching transoceanic biotech opportunities.**

- **Description:** TRANSBIO was an international funding initiative to support and encourage to take the knowledge from biotech SMEs and research institutions to the USA and Canada, attract development partners into their consortium and develop their ideas and innovations further in the world's most advanced and competitive markets for biotech products and services. The project putted a high priority on working with teams trying to exploit knowledge created in the EC's Framework Programmes to extract more value from the years of investment that had been made in this sector.
- **Duration:** 2 years (01/06/2006- 31/05/2008).
- **Budget:** 1,1170,218€ (ACCIÓ: 199,652€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 8.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



## **Multiannual financial framework 2002-2006**

## EU Programme: INTERREG III C

### Project title: MATEO. Matching technologies and opportunities.

- **Description:** MATEO was a Regional Framework Operation (RFO) to address problems related to stimulating technology-driven innovation, a key driver in the sustained regional economic development. The task of MATEO project was to develop innovations between SMEs and research and technological institutions, support their mutual exchange of experience and improve cooperation between the regions involved.
- **Duration:** 3 years (01/01/2005- 31/12/2007).
- **Budget:** 7,710,332€ (ACCIÓ: 2,343,762€).
- **Role of ACCIO:** Coordinator.
- **Number of participants:** 4.
- **Project status:** Finalised.



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