



## 1. Innovation ecosystem in Andalusia

The Andalusian innovation ecosystem is made up of groups of people, institutions, organizations and entities that intervene in the processes of generation, transmission, transformation, use and dissemination of knowledge.

At this moment, this innovative ecosystem has the support of 10 public universities, about 30,000 researchers and 2,291 research groups. Many of them are distributed in the 11 technology parks that the community houses, with more than 1,300 companies installed, as well as in its 18 technology centers.

Likewise, Andalusia, in coordination with the global strategy of the European Commission, developed in 2014 an intelligent specialization plan, aimed at defining priorities to create competitive advantages by developing and adapting the strengths of research and innovation to business needs; to address emerging opportunities and market developments consistently while avoiding duplication and fragmentation of efforts.

Currently, the sectoral priorities of Andalusia according to this specialization plan are:

- Promotion and development of mobility and logistics
- Sustainable use of territorial-based endogenous resources
- Promotion of Andalusia as a tourist, cultural and leisure destination
- Boost to health and social welfare systems
- Research in agribusiness and healthy eating
- Promotion of renewable energies, energy efficiency and sustainable construction
- Promotion of ICTs and the digital economy

The Smart Specialization Strategies of all European regions, in coordination by the European Commission, are in a process of modification to redefine these priority lines in terms of innovation in the coming years (2021-2027). New financial instruments and programs, as well as changes in fundamental aspects such as industrial transition procedures and entrepreneurial discovery, will be considered.

## 2. How the ecosystem will be supported by INTECMED project

INTECMED aims to develop an integrated innovation ecosystem at the local level to support technological transfer and commercialization of research results, which is also crucial for the Andalusia innovation ecosystem, which is already mature and counts on numerous programmes that support transfer of technology and innovation, as well as creation of smes and entrepreneurship..

Thus, INTECMED will help support the region's efforts to improve the integration of regional ecosystems, the transfer of know-how and the commercialization of research results, as well as improve synergies between the different actors of innovation. INTECMED will bring together the





ecosystem through the Regional Alliance, will reinforce the establishment of synergies avoiding overlapping existing initiatives in support for entrepreneurship and commercialization of research results and will develop a Business Ready Innovation Methodology (BRIM) oriented to the real needs of the research and scientific community, and complementary to initiatives already undergoing at regional level.

Our aim will be to integrate the BRIM methodology and tools developed in INTECMED in the regional innovation ecosystem, implementing the annual innovation discovery process into it.

### 3.Short description of the Regional Alliance Innovation Transfer (RAIT) in Andalusia

Through INTECMED project, the RAIT in Andalusia has achieved on establishing a network of policy makers, research & Education representatives and Business Support Organisations as well, consisting forces which put efforts to improve and enhance the innovation ecosystem of the Region.

RAIT in Andalusia is composed of key stakeholders from regional government, research and education.

Some actions already taken by the RAIT members in Andalusia:

- Set up of local assesment board for intecmed call for innovative ideas
- Identification of support mechanisms for entrepreneurship and barriers for commercialization of research results
- Identification of existing good practices
- Presentation of the call for innovative ideas
- Coordination actions for organization of info-days and interplays
- Launch of Regional Innovation Facility Point (located at Chamber of Commerce of Seville facilities)



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## Regional Government

- Innovation and Development Agency of Andalusia
- Andalusia Knowledge Agency

Both from Regional Ministry of Economic Transformation, Industry, Knowledge and Universities)

## Research and Education

- University of Seville
- University Pablo de Olavide (Sevilla)
- University of Malaga
- University of Huelva
- University of Cordoba
- Science Technology Park Malaga
- Science Technology Park Almeria
- Loyola University (Sevilla)
- Andalusian International University
- University of Almeria

## Business Support Organizations

- Miverva Programme ((Public private Partnership) – business accelerator
- Andalusia of Future – El Cubo (Public private Partnership) business Accelerator
- Espacio RES – business Accelerator
- ProMALAGA – business accelerator