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FOUNDATION will provide a framework and roadmap for regions facing industrial closures, job losses and uncertainty, to develop economic resilience through collaboration.

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GOOD PRACTICE SHARING SPECIAL NEWSLETTER 28/10/2020

About the FOUNDATION Project

FOUNDATION is an Interreg Europe funded SME Competitiveness project that brings together nine partners in a consortium led by Cork Institute of Technology. The project is focused on supporting regions pre and post shocks and closures of anchor tenants in their industrial ecosystems. The impacts of a closure of course go beyond direct employees and ripple, wave like throughout the regional services sector and economy. Management of such anticipated structural change requires proactive renewal of business approaches and policy supports.

To combat the economic effects of COVID-19, the FOUNDATION project hosted the webinar Policy Support for Industrial Resilience to share policies, initiatives or programmes supporting economic resilience which are being utilised in our partner regions. This special edition newsletter shares each of these 9 good practices in detail along with a link to the recorded webinar and Speaker PowerPoint slides .



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Good Practice Sharing - Workshop Content

The Role of Individual Firm in Economic Resilience



Webinar Content

FOUNDATION hosted the webinar Role of the Individual Firm in Economic Resilience on 6/10/20. Learn about policies, initiatives or programmes supporting economic resilience to combat the economic effects of COVID-19 in our video and slides. ['Read more'](#)



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Shaping Resilient Entrepreneurs

During the 'Role of the Individual Firm in Economic Resilience' webinar, Carole O'Leary presented Student Inc. the co-ordinated, accredited programme supporting student entrepreneurs to develop business ideas in South West Ireland. ['Read more'](#)



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MicroENTRE Growth Network™

MicroENTRE Growth Network is a collaboration model built upon peer-to-peer support and co-created with local public business advisory services. ['Read more'](#)



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From Shipping to Intermodal Services

The good practice shows how could develop a local company from a single-member family business to the region's leading logistics group by flexible adaptation to the economic environment. ['Read more'](#)



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Ekofrisa uses crisis to their advantage

Ekofrisa is the SME in Lithuania that uses a waste crisis to their advantage by creating new products, offering new partnerships for SMEs and universities. ['Read more'](#)



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Engaging with StartUps to Enhance Innovation

Unindustria Reggio Emilia has created Upidea! acceleration program to promote the interaction between start-ups and corporates through open innovation projects. ['Read more'](#)



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Economic resilience - Automotive company

The unexpected effects of the coronavirus on everyone in many companies. A sudden drop in contracts and the need to cut jobs. Need for a very quick reaction for a change. Plans and modifications of the action strategy change practically every day. ['Read more'](#)



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Mecanicas Bolea increasing industrial resilience

Generation of Mechanics in Naval and Static Engines: Training Programme to re-skill and up-skill unemployed highly qualified professionals. ['Read more'](#)



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The role of AGS in times of crisis

Flexibility in times of crisis is more important than ever. Especially SMEs had to rethink to come through the crisis. ['Read more'](#)



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Stronger together in Manchester

Manchester Inward Investment Agency, ('MIDAS') led a Greater Manchester task force sourcing PPE for local authorities including the National Health Service (NHS) and the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA). ['Read more'](#)

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