

2nd Training Session for Facilitators

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Place: Start-up & Service Centre Fürstenfeld, Austria
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Day 3 - Research Cocktail on Innovation and Technology Transfer

The third training day for facilitators was held in the course of a Research Cocktail on Innovation and Technology Transfer. It took place in the hotel "Fröhlich" in Fürstenfeld and attracted many stakeholders and beneficiaries.

In the first part, together with a presentation of the I³SME idea and activities, also other transnational and interregional projects in the field of innovation that are currently carried out such as OPTICOM and IRIS (both Objective 3 - AT-HU), INNOVATION 2020 (Objective 3 - SI-AT) were presented. In that way, well-built cooperation and dissemination was given floor. In the second part of the Research Cocktail keynote speeches were given by Mr. Gerhard Burian, representative of the Federal Ministry of Economy, Youth and Family on how innovation is supported in Austria as well as from Mr. Michael Azodanloo, head of the department for territorial cooperation at the ICS Internationalisierungszentrum in Styria. Mr. Christoph Adametz from the Graz University of Technology presented ways to promote knowledge and technology transfer between academia and business.

As a round up, a vivid discussion about the future of innovation (projects, systems, policies and funds) in Europe was entered before the Technology Transfer Networking Lunch where each participant of the Research Cocktail was offered a specially created I³SME fruit cocktail.