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WHAT TO EXPECT IN THIS EDITION:

- TOOLKIT LAUNCH!
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WELCOME TO OUR SECOND EZINE

We are ENTER - Enterprise in Interface. Interface areas where conflict is a present threat are increasingly common across European cities and urban areas. The conflicts are generally religious, ethnic or politically motivated and result in an increase in economic and social disadvantage for the people living in these interface areas.

The ENTER Project has been designed to counteract some of these problems by pioneering a toolkit to contribute to greater social inclusion and cohesion. This innovative toolkit will focus on the role of enterprise education and support to transform individual and community wellbeing in these interface areas.

Via this newsletter we would like to keep you up to date regarding project progress and project activities.

Toolkit launch!



We are happy to present our Enterprise in Interface Toolkit, A guide to Establishing a Regional Partnership. This toolkit is a resource that offers a "steps to" guide on how to develop a Regional Partnership. It also provides the user with general information and examples about the ENTER project, and shares templates to be used or adapted by other Partnerships across Europe for local use.

The toolkit is available for download via this link.

ENTER events

This Autumn, ENTER reached out to local communities across Europe. Via several events we have spread our message about the role enterprise education could have in transforming individual and community wellbeing in interface areas. During the events we have successfully launched our innovative toolkit.

What will ENTER do?

ENTER's principal goal is to increase access to continuing education and training for individuals living in interface areas by:

Establish four "Enterprise in Interface Alliances". These alliances will involve stakeholders from public, private and non-profit sectors working together to increase their understanding of the needs and opportunities for successful entrepreneurship in interface communities

Create, publish and promote the "Enterprise in Interface Toolkit" to encourage the creation of further Alliances across Europe.

Develop and publish a course curriculum and learning materials to train practitioners on emerging social enterprise models and the skills they need to effectively recruit and teach participants from vulnerable backgrounds.

On Friday 2 December, Creative Spark held a very successful Multiplier Event on the theme of Ethnic and Minority Entrepreneurship. The audience came away inspired by the range of speakers and the topics discussed. A full house heard presentations from Professor Tom Cooney, DIT, Kamal Kainth, Urban Indian, Dr. Antony Soares, Centre for Cross-Border Studies, Annmarie O'Kane, Border People, Leanne McDonagh, Norah's Traveller Academy and Tunde Adeosun Chairperson, African and Caribbean Chamber of Commerce in Belfast.

Sarah Daly, Executive Director of Creative Spark, said she felt enthused to be more ambitious for the entrepreneurs she works with and is looking forward to delivering a training programme on this issue for enterprise staff within local agencies in 2017.



The ENTER Project Toolkit and Regional Action Plan for Louth were formally launched at the event.

East Belfast Enterprise hosted the UK multiplier event for the ENTER programme on Wednesday, 30th November 2016. Besides the presentation of the ENTER Toolkit, the event was also used to further the discussion about the role that enterprise can have in interface areas and to seek further input to the regional action plan currently being developed by the UK regional partnership in Belfast. The event was well attended with good representation from politicians, government representatives, local community organisations and businesses. There were presentations by Jonathan McAlpin (East Belfast Enterprise, Colin Mountstephen (Deloitte), Terry McCorran (City of Belfast Boxing Academy), and James Rees Hopkins (Red Zone Fitness).

Following the first four presentations, a discussion panel was convened, where the presenters were joined by Barbara McAtamney from the Department of Justice (the Government Department leading on the TBUC strategy) and Dr Katy Radford from the Institute for Conflict Research.





RDA Porin from Croatia held the multiplier event on September 30th 2016 at the premises of RDA Porin. The event was attended by over 60 guests including international guests as well as guests from the office of the City of Rijeka, such as the deputy mayor.

RDA Porin presented the rationale, scope, objectives and future results of our Strategic Partnership, and in particular the activities and Intellectual Output products to be achieved during the 2 years strategic partnership. In addition, we have presented extra information about the recently published Guide of the ERASMUS + Programme for 2017, with especial focus on Key Action 2.

BDF held their event on October 4th in the Business Education 'De Center Kanselarij' in Leeuwarden, the Netherlands. In 3 workshops rounds BDF presented the various social and entrepreneurship angles ENTER has and how its regional partnerships and outcomes can have impact on individuals and communities. Especially with in combination their Ingubator Leeuwarden activities and cooperation with VET schools and others in enterprise education BDF look to support transformation individual and community wellbeing in disavantaged areas.





Partner meeting



In September, RDA Porin welcomed the ENTER project partners to Rijeka, Croatia for the 3rd partner meeting. Main topics included the finalisation and launch of the Enterprise in Interface Toolkit, the planning of the upcoming events in every region and the progress on the course curriculum development, which will be ready for pilot testing in Spring 2017!

Our training sessions start soon!

This Spring we will train practitioners on emerging social enterprise models and the skills they need to effectively recruit and teach participants from vulnerable backgrounds.

Find your local partner in Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, the Netherlands and Croatia via <u>www.enterproject.info</u> and join us!

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