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Ex post Evaluation of the project National Infrastructure for Supporting Technology Transfer in Slovakia (NITT SK)



Ministry of Education, Research, Development and Sport of the Slovak Republic

FUND(S) COVERED

- European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)
- Cohesion Fund (CF)

PROGRAMMING PERIOD

• 2007-2013 and 2014-2020

PROGRAMME(S) COVERED

• OP Research and Development 2007-2013 (OP R&D)

THEMATIC OBJECTIVE(S)

• T001: Research and innovation

TYPE OF EVALUATION

Impact



YEAR OF COMPLETION

• 2017

PROBLEM SETTING, MAIN EVALUATION QUESTIONS

- Effectiveness of the NITT SK project implementation;
- Recommendations for the follow-up project;
- Changes in the field of technology transfer in Slovak public R&D institutions;
- RIS3 areas with support to technology transfer or intellectual property rights from the project;
- Use of integrated ICT applications;
- Raising awareness of the scientific community on the protection of intellectual property and TT.

METHODOLOGY USED

Theory of change, interviews with stakeholders, desk research, questionnaire, comparative study before and after project implementation.

DATA SOURCES

Project documentation, target group, project staff.

MAIN FINDINGS

- The NITT SK project supported science and research entities in the technology transfer process by ensuring dedicated information infrastructures and specialised electronic services.
- The project has resulted in a positive impact through the various promotional, educational, informative initiatives and through the financial support, aimed at lowering the patent system costs.
- Measurable indicators were achieved, though the set of targets was fairly ambitious (e.g. in terms of expected number of participants to related events, etc.) that justifies a good level of outcomes of the initiative.

CONCLUSIONS AND FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS

- The 'demand-driven' technology transfer approach should be adopted to systematically investigate, understand and monitor the industrial and commercial demand, at central and local level.
- The structured and organised expose of academic competences to the industrial actors should represent the starting point to achieve sustainability in the whole TT scenario.
- Commercial income should allow economical grounds for local TTC so that they could contribute economically to the self-sustainability of the central overall TT services.
- The follow-up project 'Mobilisation of Knowledge and Technology Transfer from Research Institutions into Practice' builds on evaluation results; implemented under the OP Research and Innovation 2014-2020.

Slovak Academy of Sciences – portfolio of intellectual property rights applications





