

#### **Dear ECCP Member,**

#### Our new website is officially live!

The platform offers many services for our members and we are proud to support clusters who are strengthening the European economy through collaboration.



As part of the EU Industry Days, we officially launched our new website. Read the main <u>takeaways</u> from the event and watch our <u>video</u> that highlights our key services and new features.

# Have you updated your profile?

This crucial step allows you to showcase your activities fully and make the best out of the new platform and features.

Profiles that aren't updated will not be able to access certain services.

Update your profile now

# Our platform has now merged with the European Resource Efficiency Knowledge Centre.

This merger helps boost clusters and provide access to new knowledge, technology and market opportunities that help with the green recovery.

Learn more

#### New Feature - Our Mapping Tool

Take a look at our new map for industrial clusters and partners!

This mapping tool allows clusters to search and filter by profile type, special thematic areas, location, industry and a range of organisational characteristics.

Try it now

## News

The European Expert Group on Clusters recently published a recommendation report on how to use clusters to boost green and digital transitions and resilience.

The report contains 15 specific recommendations, along with examples of good practices.









The European Commission has adopted a new EU strategy on adaptation to climate change.

Industrial clusters can help build a climate-resilient future through improving knowledge, increase adaptation planning, risk assessments and accelerating adaptation action.

Read more

Have you read the new trade policy set by the Commission?

Sustainability is at the heart of the new strategy and will strengthen the capacity of trade to support digital and climate transitions.

Read more



The High Representative and European Commission have proposed a new Agenda for the Mediterranean.

A dedicated Economic and Investment Plan to spur long-term socioeconomic recovery in the Southern Neighbourhood has been included.

Read more



The EU is to set up new European Partnerships and invest nearly €10 billion in the green and digital transition!

Their aim is to accelerate the development and uptake of new innovative solutions across different sectors.

Read more



### **Community news**

Our members can now find all the latest news from our cluster community and key stakeholders from across Europe and beyond, including regular updates from us all in one place.

Keep sharing your updates with us so we can promote across our social media channels.

Read more

## **Events**

Register now for the upcoming events!

- Register now for the 5th ECCP capacity building webinar on cluster business models!
   17 March
- <u>IEEE International Forum</u> on Smart Grids for Smart Cities 17-23 March
- <u>European SMEs on the road to India</u>: Intellectual property and business challenges webinar 18 March
- Accelerating cross-border data-driven innovation 30 March

You can now filter events by countries, conferences, by us, our partners, the community or by a <u>thematic focus</u>.

Search all events

### **Community events**

- Smart Energy Six pack training series 17 February - 9 April
- Connect.KG Conference,
   Discover the Next IT Hub of Central Asia
   15 - 19 March
- <u>EU-Japan Regional Cooperation</u>
   Good Practices Webinar
   17 March
- Global opportunities for European SMEs with the Alibaba ecosystem 17 March
- Forum Hydrogen Business for <u>Climate</u> Online Round Table on Innovation
   18 March
- <u>SmartEEs2</u> Matchmaking Friday
   Automotive Edition
   19 March
- Virtual B2B Railway applications of non-railway technologies 12 - 13 April
- SmartCommunities Conference 2021: The Digital Transformation of the Communities 13 April

**Partner events** 

- Opening Conference & Workshop: A new era for EU Fashion Brands - Embracing Digitalisation & Sustainability 16 March
- Galactica Info day of the first call for proposals and virtual matchmaking
   23 – 24 March
- <u>Aerospace technologies for textile sector</u>: automation and digitalization opportunities
   23 March
- Internationalization Strategies for Sustainable Fashion and Textile Brands at Circular City Week New York 24 March
- Funding opportunities and success stories for the development of smart textiles 25 March
- How to convert bright ideas into business. The role of cocreation methodologies and open innovation experiences 9 April
- How to craft a killer pitch: what makes a business pitch effective 14 April

See all community events

See all partner events

# Open Calls

 Opportunities in India for innovative agritech, food processing and sustainability businesses
 Deadline: 21 March

<u>Improving the availability and scope of services</u> for companies in financial difficulties

Deadline: 23 March

 SPAIN: AMETIC, the Spanish Electronics and IT Associations of Industry in need of miniature electro valves for artificial ventilators Deadline: 31 March

 SPAIN: Urgent Demand for First Necessity Items from the Community of Madrid

Deadline: 31 March

 ITALY: Attention to clusters in MedTech sector! International Call for Tenders to Purchase Medical Equipment Deadline: 31 March

 <u>Calling for GNSS apps</u> supporting authorities and citizens in the COVID-19 emergency response and recovery Deadline: 31 March

 Galatea opens the Innovation Support Call Deadline: 31 March

 <u>Call for proposals</u>: Strengthening innovation through supporting cluster cooperation and start-up ecosystems in the Southern Neighbourhood countries Deadline: 8 April

See the latest open calls



SOLVIT is a European Commission initiative that aims to help in such cases. Read our <u>interview with **Anoushka Janssens**</u>, who works for the service and tells us more.

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