RE-ACT - Self-reflection tools for smart Universities acting regionally

RE-ACT is an Erasmus+ project that aims to exploit the potential of self-reflection tools for the design and implementation of regional innovation strategies.

The self-assessment tool produced by RE-ACT helps Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to rethink and reposition their strategies through a holistic approach that is regionally embedded and supported by collaborative links among key actors of the quadruple helix.

http://ris3heinnovate.eu/ | https://react.pbs.up.pt/

Objectives

Support SMART universities to play a pivotal role in RIS3 by adjusting their individual and joint position as regional assets and supporting policy making for sustainable research and innovation

Enable HEIs for leveraging organisational changes built on the use of the self-assessment tool HEINNOVATE for RIS3 and capitalising results for a joint positioning on HEIs value for regional development

Foster multi-stakeholders' engagement in HEIs optimisation processes and their participation in mixed approaches for decision making, including RIS3 design, implementation and monitoring processes;

Mainstream RE-ACT resources and participatory processes by directly supporting other HEIs and key actors to fully use and benefit from HEINNOVATE for RIS3 self-assessment tool

Raise awareness about RE-ACT, engage key actors and ensure high-quality, relevance, innovation, usability and sustainability of the project's methodologies, resources and results

Establish and nurture effective communication, joint learning and collaborative work among partners as basis for the successful implementation of the project and achievement of its ambitions and objectives

Results

HEInnovate for RIS3 online self-assessment tool and supporting resources

Capacity building programmes and resources for HEIs and regional actors

HEIs' self-assessment, organisational action plan and joint positioning

RIS3 design and other collaborative processes leveraged by HEIs and engaging key actors of the quadruple helix

Trans-regional spillovers underpinned by a framework and facilitated by a peer support mechanism

White Paper with policy recommendations