

First workshop under "Internationalization of V4 Start-ups" project was held on November 7 in Dąbrowa Górnicza, Poland (hosting organization – The University of Dąbrowa Górnicza).

Participants have presented their organization and S3 strategies of their regions; then the consortium set out the common S3 areas of the V4 regions where they want to work together to support start-ups' business networking and international presence.

Main Smart Strategies common in V4 countries:

- **ICT & Digitalization**
- **Health (Medicine)**
- **Bio-Economy (Agro-, Eco- and Environmentally-aware)**
- **Industrial Technologies and Automotive**
- **Energy**

Partners also described two SMART areas that should be supported by "Internationalization of V4 Start-ups" project:

- **Creative Industry,**
- **Transport.**

Basing on assumption raised during workshop partners will prepare map and description of Visegrad common smart specializations which will be published on project website till the end of December 2017.

The map and database for networking V4 organizations will be promoted during regional meetings in each country and will be sent to local development agencies.

In the near future, partners will organize regional meetings with the aim of encouraging international (V4) co-operation, networking with local startups, SMEs and support organizations. The first event will take place in Slovakia (Zylina) in January 2018 and the focus area will be ICT.

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