

PARTNER SEARCH FORM	
INFORMATION ABOUT THE TARGETED FUNDING PROGRAM	
Title	H2020 – MSCA – ITN – European Training Networks (ETN)
Objective & Highlights	Call Website: https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-msca-itn-2018.html
<p>Main Objective: Training highly-skilled early-stage researchers and stimulating entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation in Europe.</p> <p>Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ITN actions fund exclusively Early-Stage Researchers (ESR) • ITN aims to improve the employability of researchers through exposure to organisations in the academic and non-academic sectors, thereby broadening the traditional academic research training setting and eliminating cultural and other barriers to mobility. An essential part of any ITN is therefore the involvement of organisations from different sectors. • An ETN must be composed of at least three beneficiaries established in at least three different MS or AC • Transnational mobility requirement applies to all actions • Beneficiaries (consortium partners) contribute directly to the implementation of the research training programme of the network by recruiting, supervising, hosting and training researchers. Every beneficiary must recruit, host at their premises and supervise at least 1 researcher • ESR recruitment is for a minimum period of 3 months and a maximum of 36 months • In ETN, each recruited researcher can be seconded to other beneficiaries and/or to partner organisations for a duration of up to 30% of his/her recruitment period. Secondments of the researcher to other beneficiaries and partner organisations are encouraged, but should be relevant, feasible, beneficial for the researchers and in line with the project objectives. • All actions have a maximum duration of 48 months • Maximum of 40.0% of the total EU financial contribution may be allocated to beneficiaries within one country 	
INFO ON THE PROJECT PROPOSAL CURRENTLY BEING PREPARED FOR 2018-MSCA-ITN CALL	
Title	Network for Alternative Financing Tools and Strategies for Social Impact
Panel	ECO-E4, ECO-E3, SOC-S1
Objective	<p>This proposal aims to build a research and training network of a new generation of early stage researchers who (i) have an awareness of the need for creating social impact through social innovation for emolliating societal problems, (ii) have creative and entrepreneurial skills to develop financial tools for funding social innovation, and (iii) are pro-active in shaping the academic knowledge base in order to meet future challenges in the social impact investment market.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assess the status of the social impact investment eco-system in order to identify the major actors, governmental policies, financial instruments, available data and data collection processes and to understand the size, scope, function, evolution and growth potential of the market. 2. Establish data collection procedures, collect data and build an accessible data architecture in order to identify the social and financial returns generated by social impact investments and the risk profiles of the stakeholders. 3. Explore how government policies, social intent, legal environment and culture affect social impact investments across sectors, countries and regions. 4. Recommend a new business model for conventional financial institutions in order to transform them into major contributors in the social impact investment market. 5. Develop a common frame of reference for building standardized social impact measures that are applicable in different business sectors, impact objectives,

	<p>investment structures and geographies.</p> <p>6. Build awareness about social impact investments in order to attract potential and existing investors as well as social entrepreneurs.</p> <p>7. Explore the relationship between financial sector development and the existence and effectiveness of entrepreneurial finance and other macroeconomic indicators at the global level with a focus on Europe.</p> <p>8. Develop a framework of social impact investment management for the better matching of return, risk and social impact profiles of the different stakeholders.</p> <p>9. Improve the financial skills of social impact investees through training and support.</p> <p>10. Survey of the legal environment and government policies for social impact investment</p>		
Partners of the Consortium	<p>TED University (TR) - Consortium Leader</p> <p>Middle East Technical University (TR)</p> <p>University of Vienna (AU)</p> <p>University of KU Leuven (BE)</p>		
INFORMATION ABOUT THE PARTNER SOUGHT			
Legal Entity Type	Academic (1 partner) Non-academic (NGOS, enterprises, networks, etc./ 2 partners)	Country	Any eligible country
Competency	Tangible expertise on social innovation, social impact investment, social entrepreneurship, social impact measurement		
Expected Contribution	<p>The project has been structured upon;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five research Work Packages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WP1: Social Impact Investment from the (Eco)system Perspective WP2: Social impact definition and measurement WP3: Impact investment readiness, financial risk, return, and social impact profile WP4: Social impact investing as a financial tool WP5: Social impact investing from a psychological perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One training work package; WP6: Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One dissemination and one management work package; WP7: Dissemination and Communication WP8: Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Although expertise and value-added contribution are welcome in all work packages, the project currently needs weighted intellectual contribution in WP1 and WP2. ➤ All partners are expected to make impactful contribution to WP6 by providing fit-for-purpose training courses to ESRs. ➤ All partners are expected to open their network, facilities and programs in order for the project to ensure a substantial coverage and impact on the ecosystem. ➤ As a general remark, the partner should be capable of recruiting, supervising, hosting (by secondments), and training researchers within the project. ➤ The partner should provide proven competency and capacity in the relevant field. 		
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