

Move2Digital - Université Côte d'Azur, a key player in the digital transformation of its territory



"Move2Digital" project has been selected for EU co-funding under the European Digital Innovation Hub (EDIH) call of the Digital Europe program. The aim of this ambitious collaborative initiative is to help regional SMEs dynamically respond to the digital challenges by providing supporting activities on Artificial Intelligence (AI), cybersecurity and Internet of Things (IoT).

SCS cluster, as a project pilot, is relying on the two awarded Idex regional institutions, Université Côte d'Azur and Aix Marseille Université, to coordinate this collaborative project which brings together the main regional players in digital transformation (9 industrial and technological clusters and 3 leading research entities).

Through Move2Digital, Université Côte d'Azur aims to give a new impetus to the region's innovative ecosystem by supporting the digital transformation process of its private and public players. To this end, the university will be drawing on the scientific expertise of the 3IA Côte d'Azur and its members Inria Sophia Antipolis - Méditerranée and CNRS, to help develop and integrate digital technology solutions.

Closure of HERD project on June 25, 2022



The final conference of the HERD project, funded under the ERASMUS+ program, was finally held in Georgia with more than 90 participants. The two-days conference, which started on June 24th, let the floor to European and Georgian partners to present and decrypt the project outcomes and deliverables achieved during the project.

Among the major achievements, the HERD project successfully developed the research management platform and software, which also had an impact on other non-participant universities of Georgia. The Georgian ministries also present, highlighted the successful achievement of such a project for the Georgian higher education at large and for the students and researchers in a more specific way.

The involvement of Université Côte d'Azur in the quality assurance of the project has been successful and the last quality meeting that took place in Georgia with our two experts on site has allowed us to note and authenticate the improvement in the research capacity of higher education institutions in Georgia, and the strength of the consortium in overcoming the obstacles caused by the Covid crisis and the double extension of the project.

OPTIMA : Project resumed after its suspension due to the war

After several months of suspension due to the Russian aggression in Ukraine, from which a large part of our partners come, the OPTIMA project financed by the European commission, has resumed its activities and the consortium forming the project is once again on the alert to carry out this project in the best conditions.



A videoconference workshop was held on Monday July, 18th in the presence of our Ukrainian, Austrian, Polish, Belgian and Dutch partners, and led by our expert from Université Côte d'Azur Mr Thomas Guillemaud. This was an opportunity to discuss and determine the measures to be adopted for the next platform which will not only allow to access the publications of the researchers which will be published there, but also to comment them. Several features will make this platform ideal and easy to use.

This workshop is in line with the theme of the project to improve Open Science in Ukrainian universities.

Study Visit within the TRIGGER project: Sending of our experts to Uzbekistan

The two experts, Mr Jean-Christophe Leclair and Mr Jean-Christophe Boisse from Université Côte d'Azur were warmly welcomed at the various universities in the cities of Tashkent, Namangan and Jizzakh in Uzbekistan. This was the occasion to share the good practices and discuss how to improve and prepare Central Asian higher education institutions for future challenges. This is in line with the objective of improving the employability and entrepreneurship of graduates, which the European union itself supports through the funding of the project.

The means implemented were equal to the personal investment of the Uzbek partners in this project, so much that our experts had the opportunity, not only to meet the French ambassador in Uzbekistan, but also that part of the Uzbek television news of July 13th 2022 highlighted the workshop that took place on that day, which contributed to the dissemination of the project at the Uzbek national level.



Updates about MOVIDIS (Erasmus+)

>> Last transnational project meeting and multiplier event in Nice

The Digital Week of Université Côte d'Azur was the setting for the last partners meeting partners and the last multiplier event of the MOVIDIS project.

The partners from Seville, Turin, Genoa, Bielefeld, Nice and Madrid met in person to discuss the dissemination of the project results. A video about the project and a round table with the testimonies of the project participants: professors, tutors, students and international relations offices were the key points of the last MOVIDIS multiplier event: <https://youtu.be/6ZiESDuTAds>

More than 100 participants from European universities had the opportunity to learn about the experience of this innovative pilot project that will serve as a reference for the future virtual mobilities that the project partners have planned to develop in the future. To find out more about the MOVIDIS project, please visit the project website <https://www.movidis.eu/>

>> Presentation of the projet to the Erasmus+ French Agency

On 5 and 6 July, the coordination office of the MOVIDIS project travelled to the city of Bordeaux at the invitation of the Erasmus + France Agency as an example of the use of digital tools in European mobility in the framework of the Conference on higher education.

Sara Sidaoui, from Université Côte d'Azur explained to the audience, representatives of French universities, how our University has been able to use the different digital tools available to create a virtual campus based on the use of resources such as the Moodle platform, Zoom and Teams in order to organize the first virtual mobilities through the MOVIDIS project.

On the other hand, Sara presented the ULYSSEUS university alliance as a key project for Université Côte D'azur in the development of virtual and hybrid mobilities. This type of mobility is key for the ERASMUS + programme, which has launched several calls for the funding of hybrid mobility initiatives (Blended Intensive Programs) or virtual mobility (Erasmus + Virtual Exchanges).

The Conference on higher education and the testimony of Université Côte d'Azur can be seen at : <https://youtu.be/xpo02zBYy98>



In brief

◆ Researcher's Week Ulysseus

More than 100 researchers from the University of Seville (Spain), University of Genoa (Italy), Université Côte d'Azur (France), Technical University of Kosice (Slovakia), MCI | The Entrepreneurial School (Austria) and Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences (Finland) met in Seville on June 22 and 23 during the Ulysseus Researcher's Week organized as part of the COMPASS project. This event allowed researchers to develop new collaborations, consolidate certain consortia and discuss future joint European projects through scientific workshops, seminars and visits to research centres.

◆ ANR 2023 Action Plan

The National Research Agency (ANR) publishes its 2023 Action Plan which describes the actions and calls for projects proposed for the coming year, thus giving the scientific communities and public or private actors involved in French research, general visibility of its financing offer. It is a continuation of the 2022 edition. [More](#)

◆ European Researchers' Night in NICE

The European Researchers' Night will take place on Friday September 30 between 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. in the park of the Valrose campus in Nice. The event is led by the Scientific Culture Unit of Université Côte d'Azur. THE MET will be present with a space dedicated to European projects and Europe in general >> [Detail on the other animations](#)

Selection of ongoing calls for projects

- ◆ ECOS Nord Peru: **25/08**
- ◆ Programme PAUSE for exiled scientists and artists: **30/09**
- ◆ Women TechEU – support for the development of DEEP TECH enterprises led by women: **04/10**
- ◆ Montage de Réseaux Scientifiques Européens ou Internationaux (MRSEI) : **18/10**
- ◆ INTERREG EURO-MED A smart and green Mediterranean: **27/10**
- ◆ ANR Generic Call for projects 2023: **07/11**



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