

**Regional Technology Cluster Fund**

**Annual Report 2021**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cluster Name |  | | |
| Acronym: |  | | |
| EI Project Code: |  | | |
| Institution: |  | | |
| College Contact: |  | | |
| Position: |  | | |
| Address: |  | | |
| E-mail: |  | | |
| Tel: |  | Mobile: |  |
| Educational Outreach Manager: |  | | |
| Web Link (If applicable) |  | | |

Current Project Timeframe as Approved

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Start Date | 01/08/2020 | Completion Date: | 01/08/2021 |
| Duration (Months) | 12 |

**Enterprise Ireland are aware that some clusters are commencing operations in 2021. Therefore, please fill out sections that are applicable to your cluster. If some sections are too early stage, please comment in the relevant section.**

**Section 1: Personnel**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **EI Funded RTCF Staff** | | |
| **Position** | **Name** | |
| Educational Outreach Manager |  | |
| **RTCF Staff Funded from Other Sources (If applicable)** | | |
| **Name & Position** | **Funding Source** | |
|  |  | |
|  |  | |
|  |  | |
| **Total No of RTCF Staff** | **Male** | **Female** |
|  |  |  |
| Change in No of RTCF Staff from Previous Year |  |  |
| **Please comment on how much extra staff have been leveraged for the Regional Technology Cluster Fund team and the impact this has on the offer to industry:** | | |

**Section 2 Industrial Steering Committee**

(Please attach in Appendix 1 of this report the minutes of the last industrial steering committee meeting if applicable)

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Role** | **Name & Company** |
| Chairperson |  |
| Member 1 |  |
| Member 2 |  |
| Member 3 |  |
| Member 4 |  |
| Member 5 |  |
| Member 6 |  |

**Section 3 Industrial Engagement**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Industrial Engagements 2021** | **Targeted** | **Achieved This Year** |
| One to one engagements with companies and SMEs |  |  |
| No of members of Cluster |  |  |
| No of workstreams initiated – Themed strategic pillars |  |  |
| Development of Industry collaboration projects |  |  |
| Industry contribution to the cluster eg Membership fees (if applicable) |  |  |
| No. of Industry Referrals to other Clusters |  |  |
| No of collaboration projects with other clusters |  |  |
| No. of Collaborative Projects with Other Gateways / Research Groups |  |  |
| **Additional Summary Information:** | | |

**Section 4: Development of Industry collaborative projects.**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Target Project.** | **Target Companies** | **Project/Contract Value**  **€** | **Contact Name** | **Date of Visits** | **Projected outcome** |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Section 5: Cluster Promotion Strategy:**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Promotional Tool** | **Summary Description of Activity** |
| Information Seminars |  |
| Training Events for Industry |  |
| Industry Network / Associations |  |
| Web Site Development |  |
| Media Exposure |  |
| Conferences Attended |  |
| International reach eg Overseas clusters, industry expert engagement |  |
| Examples of how your cluster benefits the wider community |  |
| Key Cluster & Industry reports developed |  |
| Another |  |
| **Please Provide Summary Details of the Impact of the Promotional Activities in Enhancing the Industry Engagement of the Cluster.** | |

**Section 6: Policy and Sustainability of Cluster**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | **Summary Description of Activity** |
| Lobbying activities for the cluster – Cluster policy improvements |  |
| Cluster communication strategy impacts achieved |  |
| Cluster sustainability approach |  |
| **Please Provide Summary Details of the Policy improvements and sustainability of the cluster achieved in 2021.** | |

**Section 7: Progress Vs Targets**

|  |
| --- |
| **Briefly Outline Any Issues Challenges Affecting the Performance of the Cluster.**  **What strategic initiatives will the Cluster undertake in Year 2 to enhance performance?** |

**Section 8: Financial**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Salary | Travel & Expenses | Operational | Total |
| EI Grant |  |  |  |  |
| Cumulative Spend |  |  |  |  |
| Balance |  |  |  |  |

**Confidentiality:**

All of the information provided will be confidential to Enterprise Ireland and any agents it appoints for evaluation purposes.

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

**Date Received:**

**Referral To:**   **Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Cleared By:**   **Internal Evaluation: No** 🞏 **Yes** 🞏

**Approved By:**

**Appendix 1 Minutes of This Quarter Industrial Steering Committee Meeting (If applicable)**