

EIT InfraBooster

- Unlocking the hidden value of European research infrastructures

Why should you apply?

Are you hosting and managing research infrastructure that has commercial potential but remains underutilized or unused? Are you wondering how to capitalize on these assets by leveraging them for commercially oriented science-industry collaborations? If yes, then our EIT InfraBooster Foundation training workshop is for you!

What is EIT InfraBooster Foundation?

EIT InfraBooster is a modular training program for representatives of **scientific organisations from Western Balkans** and neighbouring countries **that own research infrastructures**. It offers capacity building and support in designing infrastructure-based services that could be offered for companies. You will be able to leverage the existing assets: commercially relevant research infrastructures, skills and knowledge of research teams. InfraBooster will bring you closer to the industry, increasing the collaboration, international exposure and innovativeness of your institution, and help you establish a new source of revenues.

EIT InfraBooster Foundation is the initial level of InfraBooster educational modules, serving as the foundation for more advanced training. It ensures that participants adopt standard vocabulary and gain understanding of the innovative contexts, in which research infrastructures could be leveraged for science-industry collaboration. It also helps participants identify the most viable research infrastructures, enabling beneficiary organisations to encourage multiple research teams to apply once the basic understanding has been gained. EIT InfraBooster Foundation course is delivered by the team from Faculty of Management, University of Warsaw. All EIT InfraBooster Foundation alumni will be **officially certified** at the end of the program.

EIT InfraBooster Foundation as the initial level of the training program will be followed by modules dedicated for: scientists, marketing, business development, technology transfer experts and infrastructure managers.

Who are we looking for?

EIT InfraBooster Foundation focuses on supporting professionals who work in scientific organizations (universities and research institutes) that own research infrastructures. These experts include research infrastructure managers, scientists, technicians, and administrators; technology transfer center staff, such as project managers, technology brokers, IP experts, and industrial relations officers; and research center and support office employees, such as project managers, grant/funding experts, international cooperation specialists, and master contacts.

The training is open to participants from Western Balkans and countries covered by the EIT Regional Innovation Scheme (RIS).

How will EIT InfraBooster Foundation be delivered?

EIT InfraBooster Foundation as the initial level of the training program consists of two online sessions, involving presentations, discussions, case studies, and individual and team assignments. The knowledge

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and competencies will be verified based on the team assignment (using a case study of a fictional university that needs to identify commercially attractive research infrastructures and make key decisions related to the infrastructure management) and final individual assignment (selecting research infrastructure at own institution that is identifiable, relevant and competitive, and could form the basis for continuous work in subsequent modules of EIT InfraBooster).

The EIT InfraBooster Foundation workshop will be run by educators and experts from the University of Warsaw.

When and where will EIT InfraBooster Foundation be held?

Application for **May Edition** is open from the **24 of April till the 18 of May 2023**.

EIT InfraBooster Foundation will be held online on **22 and 23 of May 2023** in Warsaw, Poland.

To accommodate more participants and allow individuals from different countries to participate, the EIT InfraBooster Foundation will be delivered online using digital tools.

You can find more information about EIT InfraBooster Foundation at:

<https://www.eitfood.eu/projects/infrabooster/infrabooster-foundation>

If you're interested in applying for our training, please visit our course information page at <https://learning.eitfood.eu/our-courses/infrabooster/> or contact the EIT InfraBooster Foundation coordinator:

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