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Making Innovation Happen

Virtual Balkans
Western Balkans
Research and Innovation
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THE EIT – UNIQUE INNOVATION INSTRUMENT

- Enhances Europe's **innovation capacity, competitiveness & quality of life**
- **Innovation ecosystems** to increase cooperation and integration between business, education and research
- Addresses **societal challenges**
- **Unique features:** pan-European, long-term (up to 15 years), financial sustainability



Student to
entrepreneur



Idea to
product



Lab to
customer

EUROPE'S TRIED, TESTED AND PROVEN INNOVATION ENGINE



60+
Innovation Hubs
across Europe



2 000+
Partners
across Europe



3 200+
Ventures
supported



3.3B€
Investment raised
by EIT ventures



1 170+
New products
and services



3 100+
Graduates
completing EIT
programmes



13 000+
Jobs created

*figures August 2020



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OUR MISSION 2021-2027

Strengthen Europe's innovation capacity by connecting and empowering people and organisations to create, educate and innovate



HORIZON EUROPE 2021-2027

Specific objectives of the Programme

Support the creation and diffusion of high-quality knowledge

Strengthen the impact of R&I in supporting EU policies

Foster all forms of innovation and strengthen market deployment

Optimise the Programme's delivery for impact in a strengthened ERA



Pillar 1 Open Science

European Research Council

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Research Infrastructures



Pillar 2 Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness

- Clusters
- Health
 - Inclusive and Secure Society
 - Digital and Industry
 - Climate, Energy and Mobility
 - Food and natural resources

Joint Research Centre



Pillar 3 Open Innovation

European Innovation Council

European innovation ecosystems

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Strengthening the European Research Area

Sharing excellence

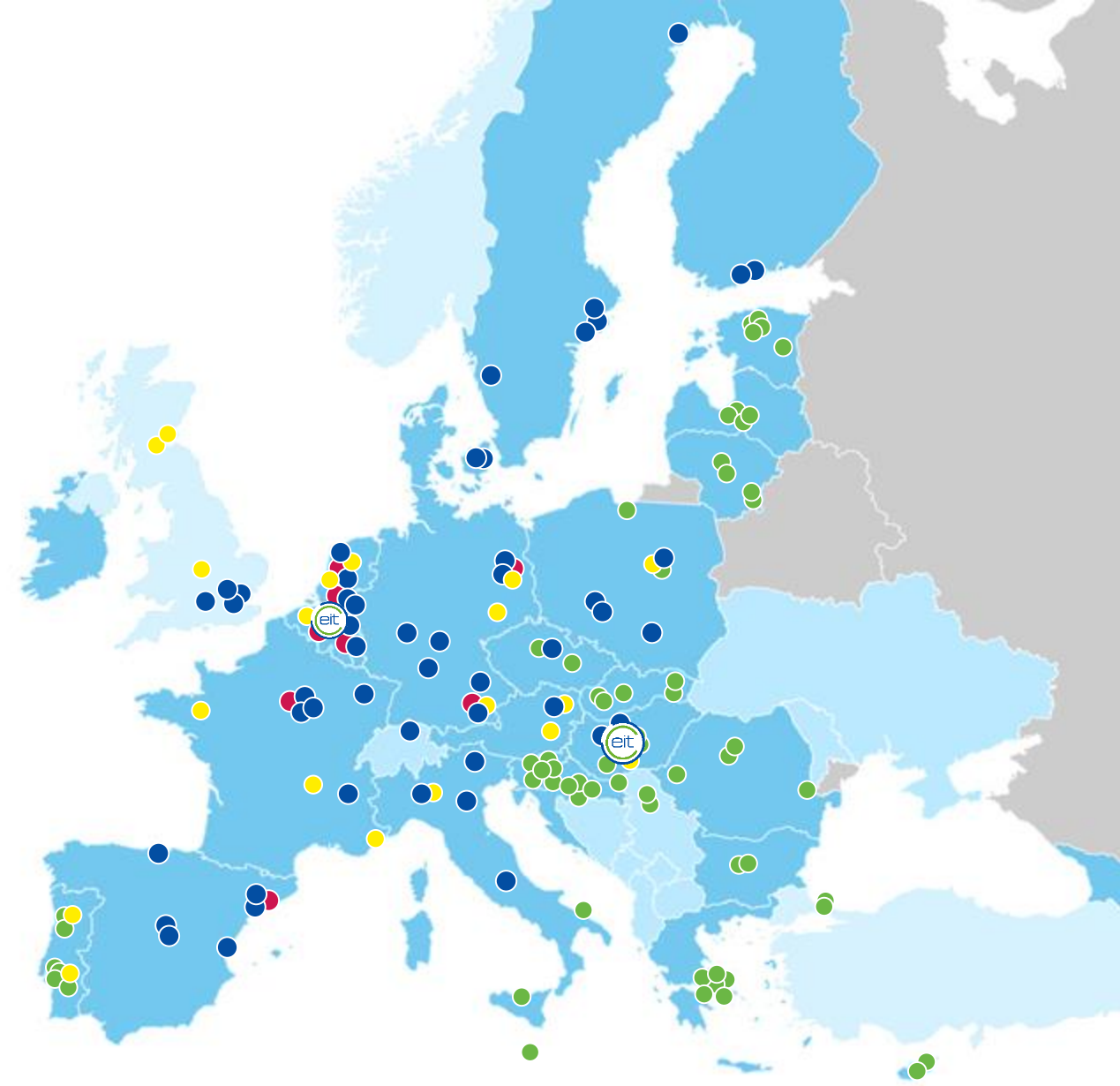
Reforming and Enhancing the European R&I system

European Commission proposal for the EIT Strategic Innovation Agenda 2021-2027

- Enforced EIT Regional Innovation Scheme
- Increased regional impact and better links to Smart Specialisation Strategies
- Strengthening the EIT Label philosophy
- Support to increase innovation capacity in the higher education sector
- A new KIC in the field of Cultural and Creative Industries

EIT COMMUNITY ACROSS EUROPE

- Headquarters
- Innovation Hubs (Co-Location Centres)
- Offices
- EIT Hubs under EIT Regional Innovation Scheme



EIT Community in Western Balkans

- EIT InnoEnergy, EIT Food, EIT Climate-KIC, EIT Urban Mobility Hubs in Serbia
- EIT RawMaterials Hub Adria in Croatia supporting the KIC's activities across the region
- 10 partners, over 500 000 EUR EIT Funding and 75 start-up teams trained – so far...