

Declaration of intent for supporting NEWS' governance model

Declaration of Intent

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Introduction

Recognizing the importance of fostering innovative cross-border business structures to enhance professional services between Italy and Croatia, we, the undersigned parties, hereby declare our intent to collaborate in supporting the governance model of the Network for Enhancing Work Services, NEWS . This initiative aims to identify and address legal and administrative obstacles, improve SMEs' access to credit, strengthen trade partnerships, standardize common skills qualifications (including digitalization), promote joint energy efficiency practices, and develop export strategies in the blue and circular economy.

Objectives

The primary objectives of this Declaration of Intent are to:

1. **Facilitate Cross-Border Business Services:** Develop a supportive framework for professional services between Italy and Croatia by addressing legal and administrative barriers.
2. **Enhance SMEs' Credit Access:** Explore and promote mechanisms to improve credit accessibility for SMEs engaged in cross-border trade.
3. **Strengthen Trade Partnerships:** Foster and support trade partnerships between Italian and Croatian businesses to promote mutual growth and economic development.
4. **Standardize Skills Qualifications:** Establish common qualifications and skills standards, with a focus on digitalization, to ensure a competent workforce for cross-border services.
5. **Promote Joint Energy Efficiency Practices:** Encourage joint initiatives and best practices for energy efficiency to support sustainable business operations.
6. **Develop Export Strategies:** Create comprehensive export strategies to leverage opportunities in the blue and circular economy, enhancing the competitiveness of SMEs.

Commitments

To achieve the above objectives, we commit to:

1. **Collaborative Research and Analysis:**
 - Conduct joint research to identify and analyze legal and administrative obstacles hindering cross-border business services.
 - Share findings and develop actionable strategies to overcome these barriers.
2. **Policy Advocacy:**
 - Advocate for policy changes that support cross-border business activities and

address identified obstacles.

- Engage with relevant authorities and stakeholders to promote the adoption of supportive policies.

3. **Capacity Building:**

- Organize training programs and workshops to enhance the skills and qualifications of the workforce, with a focus on digital competencies.
- Develop and disseminate resources to support SMEs in accessing credit and establishing trade partnerships.

4. **Joint Projects and Initiatives:**

- Initiate joint projects aimed at improving energy efficiency and sustainable practices in business operations.
- Develop export strategies and market entry plans for SMEs in the blue and circular economy sectors.

5. **Monitoring and Evaluation:**

- Establish a monitoring and evaluation framework to track progress and impact of the initiatives undertaken.
- Regularly review and adjust strategies based on feedback and changing circumstances.

Governance and Coordination

To ensure effective coordination and governance, we agree to:

1. **Establish a Steering Committee:**

- Form a steering committee comprising representatives from both parties to oversee the implementation of this Declaration of Intent.
- Define the roles, responsibilities, and decision-making processes of the committee.

2. **Regular Meetings:**

- Hold regular meetings to review progress, discuss challenges, and plan future activities.
- Maintain transparent communication and documentation of meeting outcomes.

3. **Resource Allocation:**

- Allocate necessary resources, including financial, human, and technical, to support the activities outlined in this declaration.
- Seek additional funding and support from external sources as needed.

Connection Stakeholders and NEWS Project

4 Facilitating the Connection between Stakeholders and the News Project

The signatories commit to supporting the creation of an active coordination role between the signatories of the declaration and the News project stakeholders. This coordination will foster dialogue and the sharing of resources, information and expertise, with the aim of ensuring that the expectations and needs of all stakeholders are properly integrated into the new governance model.

It is hoped that this coordination will act as a facilitator to accelerate the implementation of the innovations envisioned by the project.

5 NEWS, Resilient and Innovative Cluster

The signatories hope and commit to support the establishment of a new competitive and resilient cluster capable of offering innovative and advanced services. This cluster is to be a focal point for the development of solutions that foster interconnection between active players and those currently on standby, with the aim of creating synergies and fostering cooperation in strategic areas such as digitization, circular economy and sustainability.

The signatories will actively collaborate to promote the conditions necessary for the creation and success of this cluster.

Declaration Vision

The signatories hereby certify that they sign the declaration in order to strengthen the network's services in a strategic vision highlighted in the action plan shared and drawn up by the partnerships

Duration and Termination

This Declaration of Intent shall remain in effect for a period of 3 years renewable, starting from the date of signing. It may be extended or terminated by mutual agreement of the parties.

Signatures

By signing below, the parties agree to the terms and commitments outlined in this Declaration of Intent.



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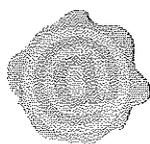


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