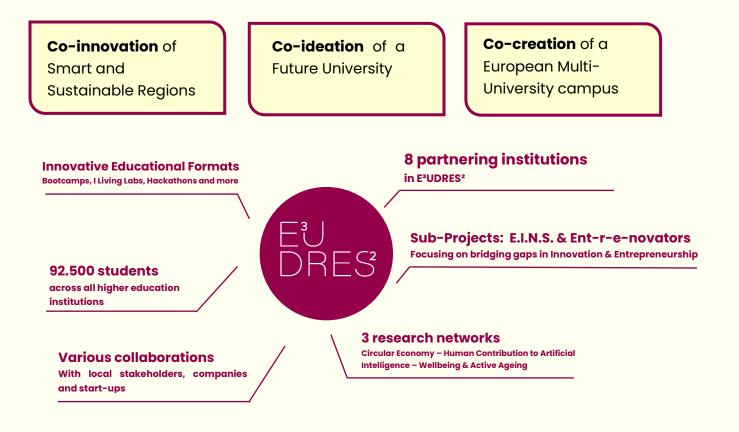
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Engaged and Entrepreneurial European University as Driver for European Smart and Sustainable Regions

European Start-Up Villages

The E³UDRES² Alliance focuses on **non-urban regions**, **creating future-proof universities**, **establishing challenge-based education**, **and the development of skills**, **innovation**, **and quality of life**. A number of running and envisaged joint activities – built on the experience of individual partners – serve the purpose and fully **correspond to the intentions** of the **European Start-Up Villages initiative**.



<u>E³UDRES² Partnering Institutions</u>: St. Pölten UAS (Austria), UC Leuven – Limburg UAS (Belgium), Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences (Hungary), Vidzeme UAS (Latvia), Polytechnic Institute of Setubal (Portugal), Politehnica University Timisoara (Romania) + new partners: Fulda UAS (Germany), Saxion UAS (the Netherlands)



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Innovation Activities in E³UDRES²

- **E³UDRES² Bootcamps**: On-site co-creation format where students and experts from E³UDRES² partner universities come together in international teams for five days to develop common solutions for current regional challenges. The July 2022 Bootcamp in St. Jakob, Austria, brought together 40 participants selected from 140+ applicants to work in 4 international teams. → www.eudres.eu/bootcamp
- **E³UDRES² Hackathons:** Non-stop 36h co-creation format in hybrid mode open to anyone who is interested in contributing to current societal challenges from E³UDRES² regions in an international team. The October 2021 Hackathon accommodated 52 participants from 6 countries addressing 6 different challenges. The next edition is planned for October 2022. → www.eudres.eu/hackathon
- **E³UDRES² Rural Residencies**: An on-site co-creation format in the local communities where students, researchers and staff from E³UDRES² partner universities come together for at least 1 week to develop common solutions to the rural community challenges, together with local stakeholders. A first edition is planned for November 2022.
- E³UDRES² Open Innovation Hubs Strategies: Development and collaboration of a network of thematically profiled and specialised regional hubs linked to the E³UDRES² agile partner universities, promoting development of their regions. The focus is on Smart and Sustainable Regions with reference to driving bottom-up innovation, the major contribution of SMEs to the European economy and labour market, as well as a role that regions play in supporting European cultural identities and maintaining a high quality of life. So far, finished mapping exercise and strategy development within the E.I.N.S. project, the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Network for Smart and Sustainable Regions (funded as the EIT HEInnovate initiative). → *eins.eudres.eu*
- E³UDRES²/E.I.N.S. Open Call for Start-ups: Start-up call aiming at co-creating new pathways of interaction and collaboration between start-ups, universities, and European regions. More information about the call on the E.I.N.S. website → *eins.eudres.eu*
- E³UDRES² Regional Stakeholder Forum: An event bringing together representatives of public authorities, development agencies and entrepreneurs from 8 respective European regions in order to share, learn and discuss common challenges and ways how universities can contribute. The next forum will take place in St. Pölten, Austria in November 2022.

More examples and inputs to the Innovation agenda will be collected and promoted throughout 2022 and the following years. There are numerous start-up and entrepreneurial centres at the individual E³UDRES² institutions, as well as regional infrastructures closely partnering with institutions. The aforementioned list showcases current joint activities of the E³UDRES² Alliance.



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