JEAN MONNET CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

Technology and Innovations for Agenda 2030 – EU Global Leadership – TIA 2030

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Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence titled **Technology and Innovations for Agenda 2030 – EU Global Leadership (TIA2030)** is glad to share news and updates about **the project**.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

On March 14, 2024 **JM CoE TIA2030** team successfully held a **Winter Camp Workshop 2024**. The event mainly focused on exploring the challenges and opportunities in the innovation and development areas that could impact the implementation of **EU Grand Strategies.** The Workshop was organised according to the key elements of **Open Innovation 2.0,** a paradigm where academia and policy-makers, industry and civil participants work together to co-create the future and drive structural changes. We had the pleasure of hosting guests, prof. dr. Žiga Turk, who presented the topic about regenerative economy innovation eco-systems (CROSS-REISS) and prof. dr. Nikolai Genov with the presentation about R&D planning within the EU, both in the context of **JM CoE TIA2030**. At the end of the Workshop the participants were invited to **present and discuss their ideas** about the outlined topics in the interactive form - results of the discussion is represented in the picture below and are available on the website.



(picture: Winter Camp Workshop 2024 – JM CoE TIA2030 materials)

In other news, TIA2030 first **Round table** titled "European Grand Visions and Implementation Deficit – focusing on Agenda 2030 and its Sustainable Development Goals" was held on April 10, 2024 as a part of the **"Social Science evening discussions".** With this activity we particularly aim to attract non-academic target groups and ensure targeted dissemination of project preliminary results to regional stakeholders and the general public.

Another important event recently held within the project is the first **TIA2030 Summer School**, entitled "The European Union and Agenda 2030" (May 20 to 24, 2024). The event was devoted to **Agenda 2030** and its **SDGs**, focusing on the role of technologies and innovations in its implementation. Summer Schools will be organized one in each year of the implementation of the project with the main aim to bring together high-level experts, young scholars, students (future professionals and practitioners), current professionals active in relevant field, as well as other interested stakeholders (businesses, civil society etc.). Each Summer School will cover different topic related to **Agenda 2030** and its **Sustainable Development Goals**, but with a specific focus on the role that technologies and innovations play in process if its implementation. Materials from the first **TIA2030 Summer School** will be available upon request via e-mail at tia2030@fis.unm.si All detailed information about the TIA2030 Summer Schools is also available on our website.

RESEARCH

One of the main activities of the **JM CoE TIA2030** is also research. Research dimension of the project builds upon **SOFIA approach** focusing on institutional, social and cognitive foundations and mechanisms of implementation of **Agenda 2030** and its **Sustainable Development Goals.**

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JM CoE TIA2030 will set up infrastructure, methodologies, protocols, and tools to systematically collect, evaluate and make publicly available both already existing documentary resources and new primary empirical data. This will be the foundation for multi-level policy debate with relevant audiences and will enable to develop content and tools on EU subjects, to complement and upgrade current courses and curricula. These activities are carefully interwoven to incorporate principles of integrated collaboration, co-created shared value and rapid adoption of strategic vision of successful, smart and inclusive growth. As a result, **JM CoE TIA2030** will advance interdisciplinary EU studies – following **the SOFIA approach** - and deal with the phenomenon of **EU and global implementation deficit**, with a view to offer research and educational tools that could be utilised throughout **European Union** and beyond its borders, to contribute to creation, awareness and implementation of **Agenda 2030**.

One of the main parts of the research is meta-analysis of available research, information, knowledge, and data on the role of institutions, social networks, and cognitive frames in the adoption and implementation of **grand strategies**, namely the Lisbon strategy, Europe 2020, and, particularly, Agenda 2030, and its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The review particularly explores how the social forces (institutions, social networks, and cognitive frames) can shape and impact the internal structural settings of social fields within the process of adopting and implementing **Agenda 2030** and its **Sustainable Development Goals**. The document also examines potential issues that could hinder the implementation process of the **grand strategies** (implementation deficit) as well as regards different interpretations of the notion of sustainable development and innovation, which are two of the main concepts in the **Agenda 2030** and **SDGs'** internal structure. In addition, the document outlines the prospect for further research (within the **JM CoE TIA2030** as well) with possible recommendations for policymakers, researchers, and practitioners interested in promoting sustainable development and innovation in the context of **Agenda 2030** and its **SDGs**.

Literature review with meta-analysis is publicly available on **TIA2030 Online Platform** through this link, where you can find the main information about the project as well as its objectives and theoretical and conceptual background.



(picture: TIA2030 Online Platform screenshot)

It also includes special sections for publishing teaching materials, future project results, research and methodology, news, information and updates about the project's activities and events. One of the main parts of the **TIA2030 Online Platform** is special **Data Repository** section for collected data, which will be available only for registered users (site members).

For more information, news and details about upcoming events and activities, we kindly invite you to follow our social media (Facebook and X).

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