

Accelerating Innovation and Entrepreneurial Excellence in Higher Education Institutes

About the project

AccEnt aims to boost the entrepreneurial performance of all consortium members in close collaboration with their ecosystem partners.

Goals



Support at least 50 start and scale-ups



Mentor over 150 students



Improve relevant support structures



Train over 1000 students



Train and mentor over 150 academic and non-academic staff



Establish new partnerships

We focus on

Improving and extending core entrepreneurial activities, at three different levels:

- students (entrepreneurship),
- faculty and researchers (founders, academic spin offs,)
- ecosystems (scale ups, open innovation).

Actions

Improve support offices to advise on innovation & entrepreneurship

Enhance the scale and scope of student engagement activities

Assessment of teaching and learning practices

Develop inter- & multidisciplinary support structure, testbeds and other structures to foster innovation

Develop structures, conditions and incentives for people to create or develop their business and start-ups

Develop innovations and entrepreneurial training programmes and mentoring schemes

Scope

Offering specific training and education aiming at developing entrepreneurial and innovative skills and attitudes.

Creating and integrating students and young entrepreneurs in a network and ecosystem (I&E supporting structures within the HEI) that promotes university-business collaborations.

Guiding the entrepreneurial process, mainly developing the HEI Startup Guide. Creating a virtuous cycle, the training of the HEI faculty (those who train and conduct research in entrepreneurship and innovation) will also amplify the impact on students' skills.

Consortium

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