

InfraBooster Foundation

EIT Food InfraBooster **promotes** the **effective use** of publicly-funded research infrastructures owned by universities or research institutes and relevant to the R&D efforts of private sector agri-food companies and start-ups.

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What is InfraBooster?

EIT InfraBooster is a **modular training program** for representatives of scientific organisations that own research infrastructures. It offers capacity building and support in designing infrastructure-based services that could be offered for companies.

Participants will be able to **leverage the existing assets**: commercially-relevant research infrastructures, skills and knowledge of research teams.

InfraBooster will **bring research infrastructures closer to the industry**, increasing the collaboration, international exposure and innovativeness of the institution, and help establish new sources of revenue.



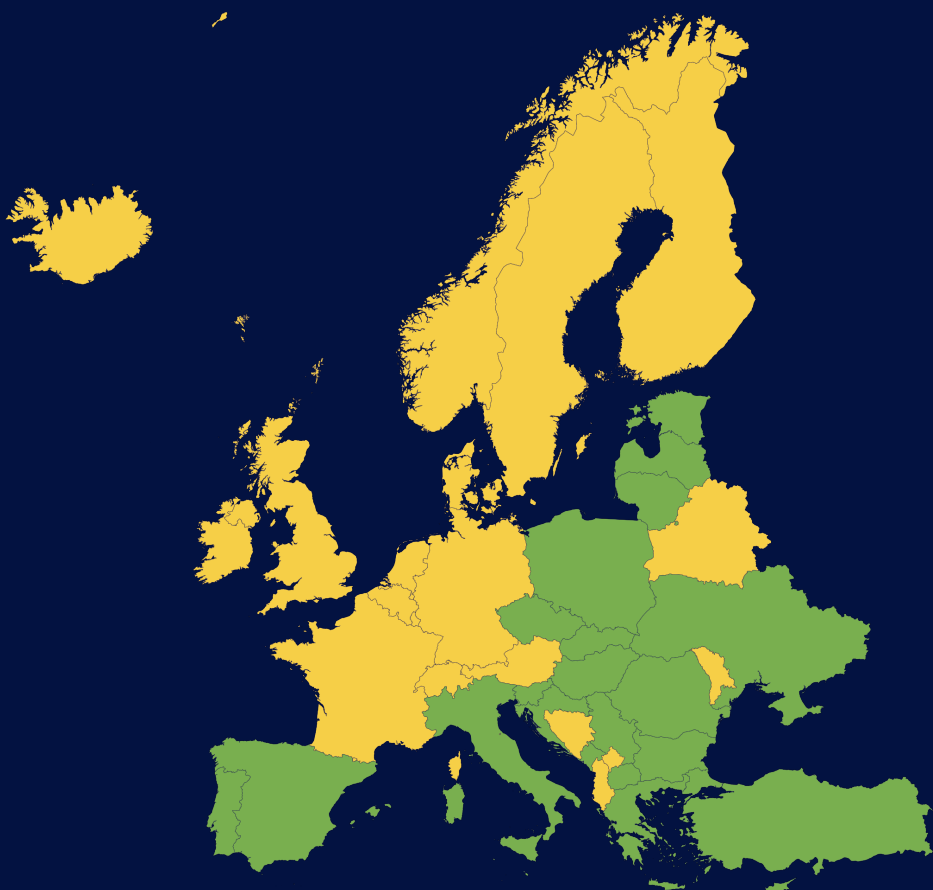
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- **For scientific institutions that own** specialist laboratory equipment, research tools, software and databases that are used for research purposes.
- For participants from **different scientific and educational backgrounds** with relatively inclusive recruitment and selection approaches.
- Participants from: **countries covered by the EIT Regional Innovation Scheme**

EU Member States: Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Spain

Horizon Europe Associated Countries: Montenegro, Republic of North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine

Outermost Regions: Guadeloupe, French Guiana, Réunion, Martinique, Mayotte and Saint-Martin (France), the Azores and Madeira (Portugal), and the Canary Islands (Spain)



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What

are key features?



- Training based on **highly interactive learning methods** allows participants to gain an understanding of the innovative contexts, in which RIs could be leveraged for science-industry collaboration.
- Lectures offering **insights on how to identify and leverage** research infrastructure for use in commercially oriented activities.
- An **opportunity to develop** profession-related competencies.
- Awards proof of completion of an educational **program accredited with EIT Label**.
- Participants from public sector organisations **do not pay** tuition.

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Is it

multi-level

program?



- InfraBooster Foundation is the **introductory level course**, serves as the first step for the next level – advanced training: InfraBooster Practitioner.
- It ensures that participants **adopt standard vocabulary** and **gain an understanding** of the innovative contexts, in which research infrastructures could be leveraged for science-industry collaboration.
- It **helps** participants **understand** the importance of research infrastructures and select the most commercially relevant research infrastructures for R&D efforts of private sector companies in target sectors.



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HOW is it delivered?

Program is delivered **online**, including participants' individual work via VLE platform and online training sessions, organized multiple times per year.

Program is **delivered in English** - at least working knowledge is required.

- Modules **leverage the trainers' expertise and experience** in research infrastructures commercialisation and innovation management relevant to the contemporary agri-food system
- InfraBooster program has **highly interactive** and features **various learning methods** (e.g., case studies, Q&A, teamwork).
- Eligible applicants need to meet the following criteria:
 - ✓ **Reside and work** in one of the regions covered by EIT RIS
 - ✓ **Be employed at a higher education institute or public research institutes** which own research infrastructures relevant to the agri-food sector
 - ✓ **Priority will be given to:** scientists, technicians, and experts working at technology transfer centres, research centres and support offices

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