

Innovating means introducing new products, services, processes, business models or improving existing ones into the economic system for the first time. The Piedmont region has a long tradition of manufacturing, which has led to the creation of many private companies and start-ups, attracting talented people and providing a rich environment for innovation. To be highly innovative, transformative and competitive, the Piedmont innovation system must become an ecosystem in which sectors and different actors are as integrated and dynamic as possible.

In this framework, the **ACCELERATE GDT** project (of which the Metropolitan City of Turin is a partner) aims to improve actions and policies related to **clusters**, to enhance their capacity to grow and cooperate with SMEs and support their dual green and digital transition.

The **SKALE2CT** project (of which the Metropolitan City of Turin is a partner) on the other hand, focuses on increasing the resources and capacities of public organisations to improve **business acceleration** (**scale-up**) services, particularly in emerging sectors such as health and digital.

On the basis of a reflection on the local innovation context, the purpose of the event is to make a positive contribution to a strategic reflection aimed at identifying possible key elements for the development of a **more effective and solid innovation ecosystem** in the context of the **European innovation perspective**.

The seminar will bring together personalities active in the metropolitan and regional innovation ecosystem and the partners of the two Interreg projects. The meeting aims to stimulate the **exchange of ideas and good practices**.



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SKALE2CT

19th JUNE 2024 | WEDNESDAY

Transnational public meeting	
Metropolitan City of Turin, Corso Inghilterra 7 – Turin	
9.00 - 9.30	Registration and welcome institutional greetings
9.30 - 11.00	 Joint Seminar Purpose of the meeting and presentation of the Interreg projects "Accelerate GDT" and "SKALE 2CT" and their common ground Speakers: Claudia Fassero: Head of EU & International Projects Unit Department of Economic Development, Metropolitan City of Turin John Hobbs: Munster Technological University – Lead Partner of Accelerate GDT Yesenia Otamendi: San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency - Lead Partner of SKALE2CT Keynote speech - A New European Innovation Agenda Speaker: Massimo Gaudina - Policy coordinator for the New European Innovation Agenda, DG Research/Innovation, European Commission Keynote speech - OECD Recommendation on Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development
	 Mara Cossu - Policy coordinator Division IV DG EC - Tools and Technologies for Sustainable Development, Ministry of the Environment and Energy Security Presentation of the mainstream policies supporting the growth of start-ups and innovation clusters. Round table, coordinated by Alessandro Sciullo: UniTO and IRES - Piedmont Social and Economic Research Center Speakers: Giovanni Amateis: Piedmont Region Claudia Fassero: Metropolitan City of Turin Elisa Rosso: University of Turin Cristina Marullo: Polytechnic of Turin
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee break



SKALE2CT - SCALING-UP

<u>INFRASTRUCTURES: How support</u> <u>tech businesses growth through</u> networks of cutting-edge equipments!

The Butterfly Area – Presentation of a

local strategic project to connect enterprises, institutions and R&D

Presentation of the local infrastructure

concerning: scaling-up infrastructures

and mentoring services for MSMEs

for technological MSMEs and advisory

Round table coordinated by Annalisa

Magone: President of Torino Nord

Ovest

Chiara Ferroni: NODES

Christian Racca: Top-IX

Polytechnic of Turin (to be

Giuseppe Serrao: 2i3T

confirmed)

ecosystem and Good Practices

Cristina Prandi: Vice-Rector of Research - University of Turin

SKALE2CT



AccelerateGDT

11.30 - 13.00

Parallel sessions

entities

Speaker:

Speakers:

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Accelerate GDT - Regional Cluster Policy Seminar

Overview of ERDF's role in supporting clusters to achieve SDGs

Speaker:

- Daniela Nepote IRES -Piedmont Social and Economic Research Center

Presentation of the Piedmont's Cluster Ecosystem

Speaker:

- Giovanni Amateis: Piedmont Region

Innovation and Cluster: how do clusters receive innovation support at both the national and regional levels?

Round table coordinated by Emma Vendrell: ACCIÓ

Speakers:

- Alexia Boulanger: Environment Park
- Sara Falvo: BIOPMED
- Eleonora Marino: CIM 4.0
- Luigi Panza: Consorzio IBIS
- **Gianmarco Piola**: National Cluster for Smart Communities

Q/A

13.00 - 14.30

16.00 - 18.00

Networking lunch

Q/A

<u>Accelerate GDT - Cluster Policy: Challenges and Actions to</u> <u>Support SDGs</u> Officine Grandi Riparazioni (Corso Castelfidardo, 22)

Sharing of Project Partners Good Practices related to supporting SDGs Q/A





SKALE2CT

Related event

18th JUNE 2024 | TUESDAY

5G towards 6G for CitiVerse

The event aims to promote a lively debate between public authorities, research and industry on the practical applications of emerging **5-6G technologies for urban innovation**, focusing, in particular, on the **European paradigm of "CitiVerse"**. This virtual ecosystem is conceived as a series of distributed and interconnected virtual worlds representing physical cities and offering citizens a wide range of goods/services, virtual environments and 5G/6G technologies in various sectors, including:

- intelligent and sustainable mobility;
- security and protection;
- entertainment, culture and tourism;
- urban planning towards climate-neutral cities.

The event will feature international keynote speeches, roundtables, demonstration activities, showcases and B2B meetings facilitated by the b2match platform of the Enterprise Europe Network. For further information and registration: <u>https://5g-towards-6g-for-citiverse.b2match.io/</u>