

# enterprise europe network

Helping ambitious SMEs  
innovate and grow internationally

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O apoio às empresas junto de si

Think bigger  
**Go further**

# The world's largest support Network for SMEs with international ambitions



**3000**  
LOCAL  
EXPERTS



**600+**  
LOCATIONS



**60+**  
COUNTRIES  
WORLDWIDE

# Based in your region and connected to the world





# Portugal



# How do we help?



We combine **international business expertise** with **local knowledge** to take your innovation into new markets.

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# A broad range of services for growth-oriented SMEs

## INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

Partnership database

Brokerage events

Company missions

## ADVISORY SUPPORT

Advice on EU laws and standards

Market intelligence

IPR expertise

## INNOVATION SUPPORT

Access to finance and funding

Innovation Management Services

Technology transfer



# How it works: international partnerships

The Network's business database contains thousands of company profiles to find the perfect match. In addition we organise:

**Matchmaking events** across Europe where SMEs can meet potential business partners in person.

**Company missions** where we set up and prepare you for targeted international meetings with strong business prospects



# How it works: advisory support

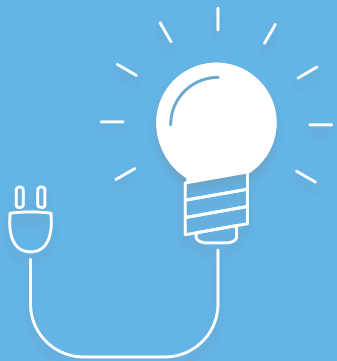
## The Network's experts provide tailor-made advice



- | Practical advice on doing business in another country
- | Identifying the best market opportunities for your business
- | Information on EU laws and standards
- | Advice on intellectual property
- | Facilitating SME feedback on EU rules

# How it works: innovation support

Tailored support packages to steer you onto the fast track to success.



Advice and help for innovative SMEs to access R&I funding (H2020, SME Instrument ...)

KAM services for SME Instrument beneficiaries

Personalised support to help shape innovation potential into international commercial success

Help in finding the right technology to improve your innovation

Help in finding the finance it needs to grow.

# It works! Satisfied, successful SMEs



**SMEs**  
who use the Network  
**grow on**  
**average**



# Boosting growth and creating jobs in the EU (2008 – 2014)



**90,000 companies**  
attended international  
brokerage events and  
company missions



**70,000 targeted**  
business  
meetings  
every year



**13,000 Business Connections**  
Via B2B matchmaking  
with companies  
outside the EU



**10,000 Technology**  
and business offers  
& requests available

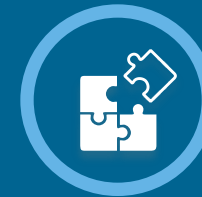
**11,000 companies**  
have signed  
business, technology  
or research  
partnerships



**1.7 million**  
people  
participated  
in events



**600,000 questions**  
on EU issues  
answered



# 17 key sectors

Network experts in 17 key sectors have teamed up to provide you with customised support.



Aeronautics  
and space



Agrofood



Automotive, Transport  
and Logistics



BioChemTech



Creative  
Industries



Environment



Healthcare



ICT Industry &  
Services



Intelligent  
Energy



Maritime Industry  
and Services



Materials



Nano and micro  
technologies



Services and  
Retail



Sustainable  
Construction



Textile & Fashion



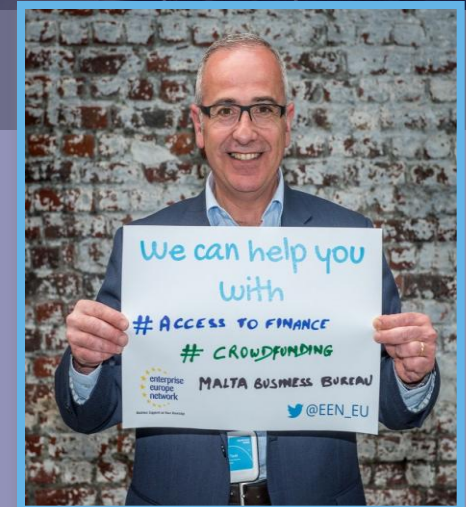
Tourism and  
Cultural Heritage



Women  
Entrepreneurship



# How can we help you?



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