BeyondScale NEWSLETTER

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BeyondScale is seeking to create a pan-European community of practice that will share and document emerging good practices, based on the outcomes of the individual and collaborative activities of the participants.

BeyondScale utilises the **HEInnovate** self-assessment platform to drive entrepreneurial and innovative change.

HEInnovate

HEInnovate is a self-assessment tool by the European Commission and the OECD for higher education institutions to explore their innovative potential. HEInnovate diagnoses areas of strengths and weaknesses, opens up discussion on respective topics. HEInnovate covers eight areas for self-assessment.

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Final Conference of BeyondScale

From April 5-6, 2022, the final conference took place as closing event of the Forward Looking Cooperation Project BeyondScale, that started in November 2019 with a kick-off meeting in Vienna, Austria.

After many months of restrictions, it was great that the event could take place as hybrid event in the facilities of TU Wien (TUthe Sky) in Vienna, Austria.

Main topics of the conference:

- HEInnovate and the mission and objectives of the Forward Looking Cooperation projects
- Labour market relevance of higher education - how HEIs anticipate novel jobs and skill needs and how they create study programmes relevant to these labour market needs
- Current needs and challenges to become innovative, more entrepreneurial from HEI's view and also ministry perspective and national perspective
- The objective of the BeyondScale project and the journey made
- How to manage the transformation of HEIs – is it up to the autonomy of the institutions or is it up to the guidance through the government?

Overall, 39 speakers from 15 different nations were actively involved in the event that was followed by a large number of interested participants on-site, online via Zoom and via live stream.

Find more information about this great event on our website!

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Participants from the EC, the OECD, from Ministries from Austria, Bulgaria, Slovenia from HEInnovate, from Munster Technology as well as Abodoo, the EUA, the TU/e innovation Space and from the DG of Higher Education and the Higher Education Authority Ireland provided policy insights and ideas for the future ways to go and how to tackle and adapt to changing conditions.

The BeyondScale partners presented several activities developed within the project and the journey made, and furthermore the different results and outcomes.
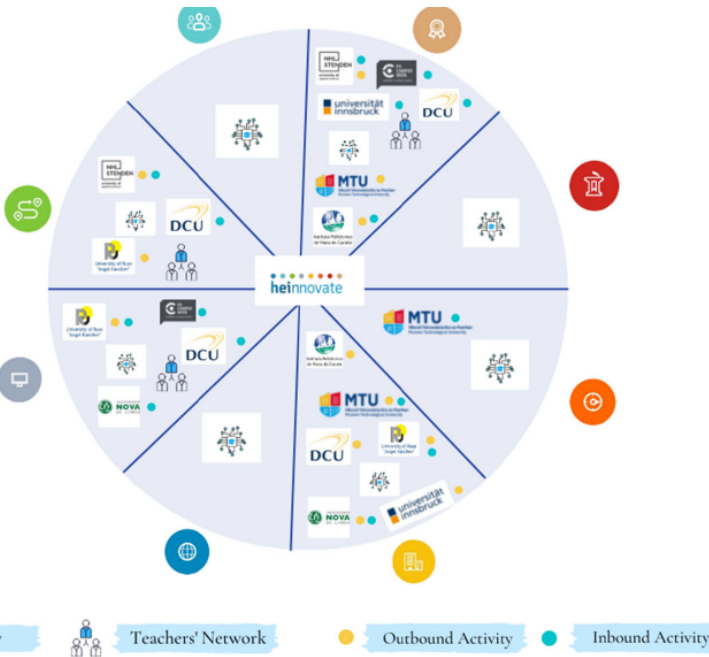These included the:

- Inbound as well as outbound activities
- Accompanying research
- Value Proposition Workshop format that had been developed in the project and
- Digi Buddy platform with the Inspiration Fiches
- International Entrepreneurial Education Network

Insights from the Conference

In the session on the green transition, the focus was on innovative teaching and learning in higher education and the student's involvement in inter-/transdisciplinary research projects, presented by speakers from TU Wien, University of Primorska, EDLAB, ETH Zürich and the Copenhagen Solutions Lab. The panelists agreed on the necessity to raise awareness and to promote better student involvement.

The new tools and peer learning approaches that were developed and tested within the BeyondScale project over the past 2.5 years will help to further improve the user-friendliness of HEInnovate. Especially the value proposition workshop format, the Digi Buddy platform and the Inspiration Fiches will help to support the transformation of Higher Education Institutions on their way to become more entrepreneurial.

Further insights are available here.
More information about the speakers can be found here.

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On behalf of the **BeyondScale** team, we would like to say big

THANK YOU

to all the speakers, participants, and attendees for their valuable contribution and presence!