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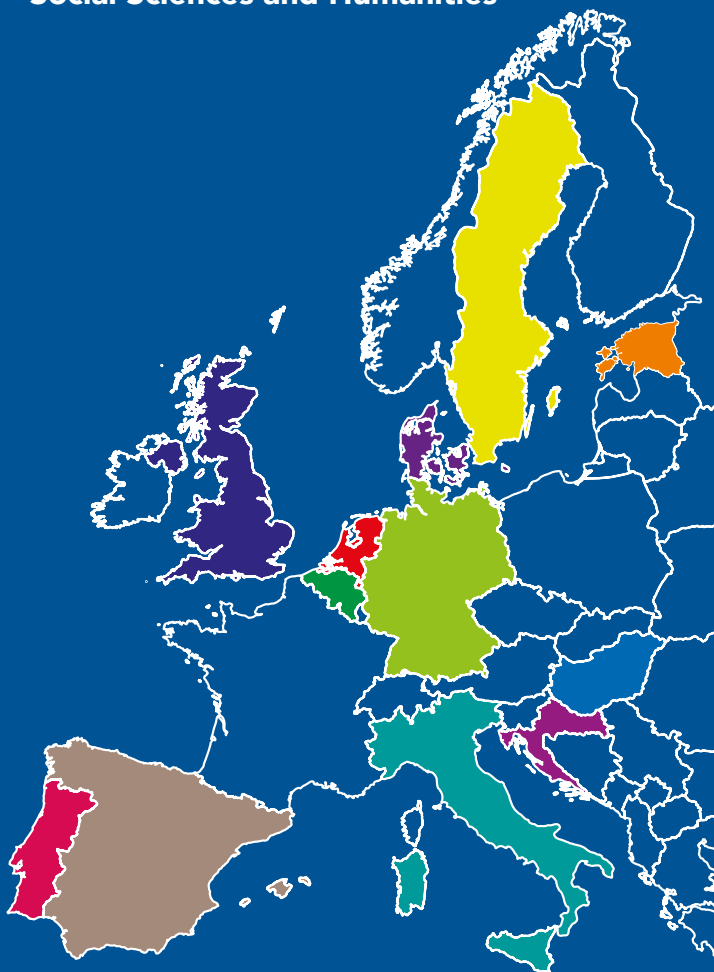
**ACcelerate CO-creation by setting up a Multi-actor PLatform for Impact from Social Sciences and Humanities**

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## ACCOMPLISSH

ACCOMPLISSH stands for: Accelerate co-creation by setting up a multi-actor platform for impact from Social Sciences and Humanities. It covers the project in a single word: **we will accomplish the challenge of creating an innovative valorisation concept** that will strengthen the position and impact generation of SSH research and contribute to innovation for a variety of both academic and non-academic lead-users and end-users.

This project wants to serve as a flagship project for the EU in the field of impact from SSH. It runs for three years from March 2016 until March 2019.

## OBJECTIVES

The central objective of ACCOMPLISSH is to accelerate the valorisation and impact of SSH research through the value chain by identifying barriers and enablers of co-creation in a quadruple helix setting and the strategies required to address or encourage these respectively. To achieve this, ACCOMPLISSH will create a platform bringing together academia (both SSH researchers and research support officers) and representatives of government, industry and civil society sectors.

## APPROACH

The project creates platforms for dialogue in both the quadruple helix setting and in smaller academic settings. The smaller platform looks into the barriers and enablers of co-creation from an academic perspective and brings forward new research design and communication approaches, with a specific role for research support officers as they help bridge the gap between Science and Society.

The wider platform facilitates a genuine dialogue on how to develop an innovative valorisation model by involving government, industry and civil society participants together with academic partners. All academic partners will introduce their regional partner networks as important stakeholders in the project.

# CO-CREATION & IMPACT

In order to bring valorisation to a higher level, all relevant actors need to cooperate in an equal setting: co-creation. Co-creation transcends boundaries, but it does not happen naturally. Therefore, the ACCOMPLISSH consortium will actively involve the other partners from the so called Quadruple Helix (industry, governments and societal partners) within the project.

The expected impacts are:
- Improved (general) awareness of the potential impact of SSH research (economic and societal impacts as well as commercial and policy-related impacts);
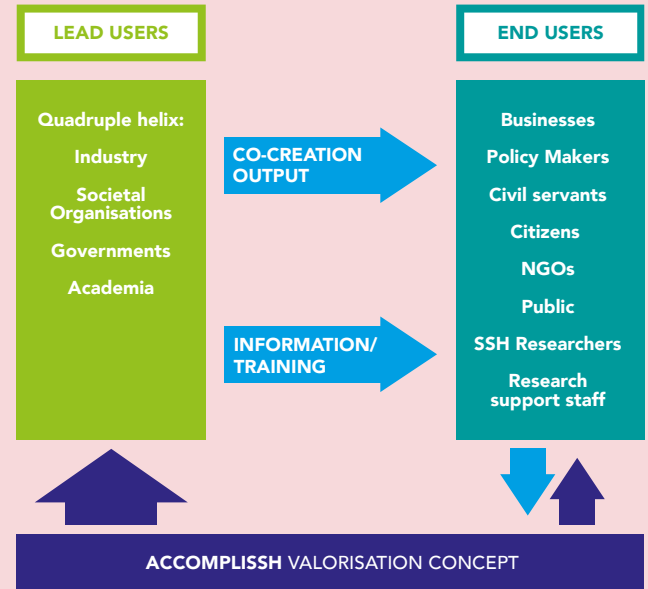- A real-time working and network environment for universities, companies and third sector institutions to engage in peer learning activities regarding use of SSH results;
- An increase in the use of SSH research results in society (in general) (stakeholders);
- Improved awareness of the possibilities of applying SSH research outcomes within the European innovation system;
- Improved use of research findings in the development of products and services across the innovation value chain;
- Strengthening of the impact of SSH research (to contribute to economic development and social progress and to help address societal challenges in Europe);
- An improved understanding of what co-creation means and how it can be conducted.

# VALORISATION

The aim of the platform is to put forward a valorisation concept that is scalable for the whole of Europe. Testing and training are important elements in the implementation and further development of the concept. Instruments will be developed and tested to serve as guidelines for valorisation and co-creation. Training creates an innovative mind-set among the quadruple helix partners in the various settings. This will contribute to the further development of SSH research design and communications, which are critical factors in the integration of valorisation as a concept in academic culture and activity.

**LEAD USERS**

Quadruple helix:

Industry

Societal Organisations

Governments

Academia

**CO-CREATION OUTPUT**

**INFORMATION/ TRAINING**

**END USERS**

Businesses

Policy Makers

Civil servants

Citizens

NGOs

Public

SSH Researchers

Research support staff

**ACCOMPLISSH** VALORISATION CONCEPT

## PROJECT PARTNERS

The ACCOMPLISSH platform is consisting of 14
universities from 12 countries. The 14 academic partners
in ACCOMPLISSH represent all the sub disciplines in SSH.

| Academic partners | Country |
|---|---|
| University of Groningen | NL |
| University of Glasgow | UK |
| Aalborg University | DK |
| Dalarna University | SE |
| Newcastle University | UK |
| University of Zagreb | HR |
| University of Tartu | EE |
| Sapienza University of Rome | IT |
| University of Göttingen | DE |
| University of Debrecen | HU |
| University of Ghent | BE |
| University of Barcelona | ES |
| Tallinn University | EE |
| University of Coimbra | PT |

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## PARTNERS

university of groningen

University of Glasgow

GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT GÖTTINGEN

AALBORG UNIVERSITY DENMARK

DALARNA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITEIT GENT

UNIVERSITAT DE BARCELONA

Newcastle University

University of Zagreb

TALLINN UNIVERSITY

ces
Centre for Social Studies
Associate Laboratory
University of Coimbra

UNIVERSITY OF TARTU

SAPIENZA
Università di Roma

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## CONTACT

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