

WELCOME TO THE IPICA PROJECT

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PROJECT OVERVIEW.



IPICA PROJECT. ACP S&T II

- **TITLE:** Empowering knowledge transfer in the Caribbean through effective IPR & KT regimes
- **FUNDED BY:** ACP S&T II Programme, EC
- **DURATION:** 36 M (07/01/2014 – 31/12/2017)
- **BUDGET:** 813 975 Euros
- **PARTNERS:** 5 HEIS, 2 IP offices; ASSOCIATES: OMPI, EPO
- **OBJECTIVE:** modernize STI policies to facilitate international cooperation and TT
- **ACTIVITIES:** create repository of R&D policies, propose policy reform, celebrate round tables and networking



THE PARTNERSHIP.

PARTNERS involved

1. FH JOANNEUM Gesellschaft mbH AUSTRIA
2. University of Technology, Jamaica
3. Instituto Tecnológico de Santo Domingo
4. The University of the West Indies
5. Jamaica Intellectual Property Office
6. Oficina Nacional de la Propiedad Industrial Dominican R.
7. Ministry of Science, Technology and Mining, Jamaica

ASSOCIATED partners (advisory, synergies, strategy)

- TTIPO (NIPO Trinidad), OEPM, WIPO, OAMI, CARICOM



PROJECT BACKGROUND



RATIONALE.

- Caribbean countries display weak innovation systems, HE & public research organisations bear huge potential for innovation.
- To reinforce the impact of research investment, policymakers need to ensure that knowledge is transferred from education/science to society.
- Understanding knowledge transfer and the associated role of Intellectual Property (IP) is important in order for public policy to support new growth opportunities (COM (2007) 182 final).
- Effective knowledge transfer (KT) mechanisms provide incentives for creative and innovative activity, enhance attractiveness for investment and international collaboration, increase efficiency of ST investment, mobilize market forces, inform investment decisions, and provide new business models for endogenous value generation.

FOCUS.

IPICA was designed to tackle the major challenges identified on national, institutional and practical levels, through:

- ✓ joint development of reform proposals for STI policies to stimulate knowledge transfer,
- ✓ promoting good practice IPR policies & management in higher education and research organisations,
- ✓ building know-how capacities of the STI stakeholders,
- ✓ promoting regional cooperation and practical support practitioners; and
- ✓ reinforcing a culture that facilitates KT throughout the region.

OBJECTIVES

OVERALL OBJECTIVE.

To enhance the effectiveness of STI frameworks, and reinforce innovation capacities and regional cooperation in the Caribbean, ... to empower the application of scientific knowledge for enhanced energy access & efficiency.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES.

- To **strengthen STI policy frameworks** for enhanced use of scientific knowledge to solve societal challenges, through modernisation of national & institutional IPR & KT policies
- To **build KT capacities and encourage cooperation culture** among the innovation system stakeholders, through promoting support services and good practice pilot projects.

IPICA IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY.

- **POLICY.** STI policy frameworks, particularly IPR regimes will be analysed. The results will be discussed in the framework of multi-stakeholder meetings on national and regional level, and recommendations for policy improvements will be elaborated.

Target group: policy-makers and leaders of STI organisations.

- **PRACTICE.** Capacity building workshops for different target groups. Pilot projects will be created to showcase how knowledge transfer can work effectively in the region. An on-line platform will offer knowledge transfer support in the region, through a helpline service, expert's database and repository of resources.

Target group: STI practitioners: TT managers, researchers, entrepreneurs.

- **CULTURE.** Innovation culture will be promoted through special events, ideas competitions and conferences, creating opportunities to network and showcase success stories.

Target groups: students, entrepreneurs, women, and professionals.



TARGET GROUPS.

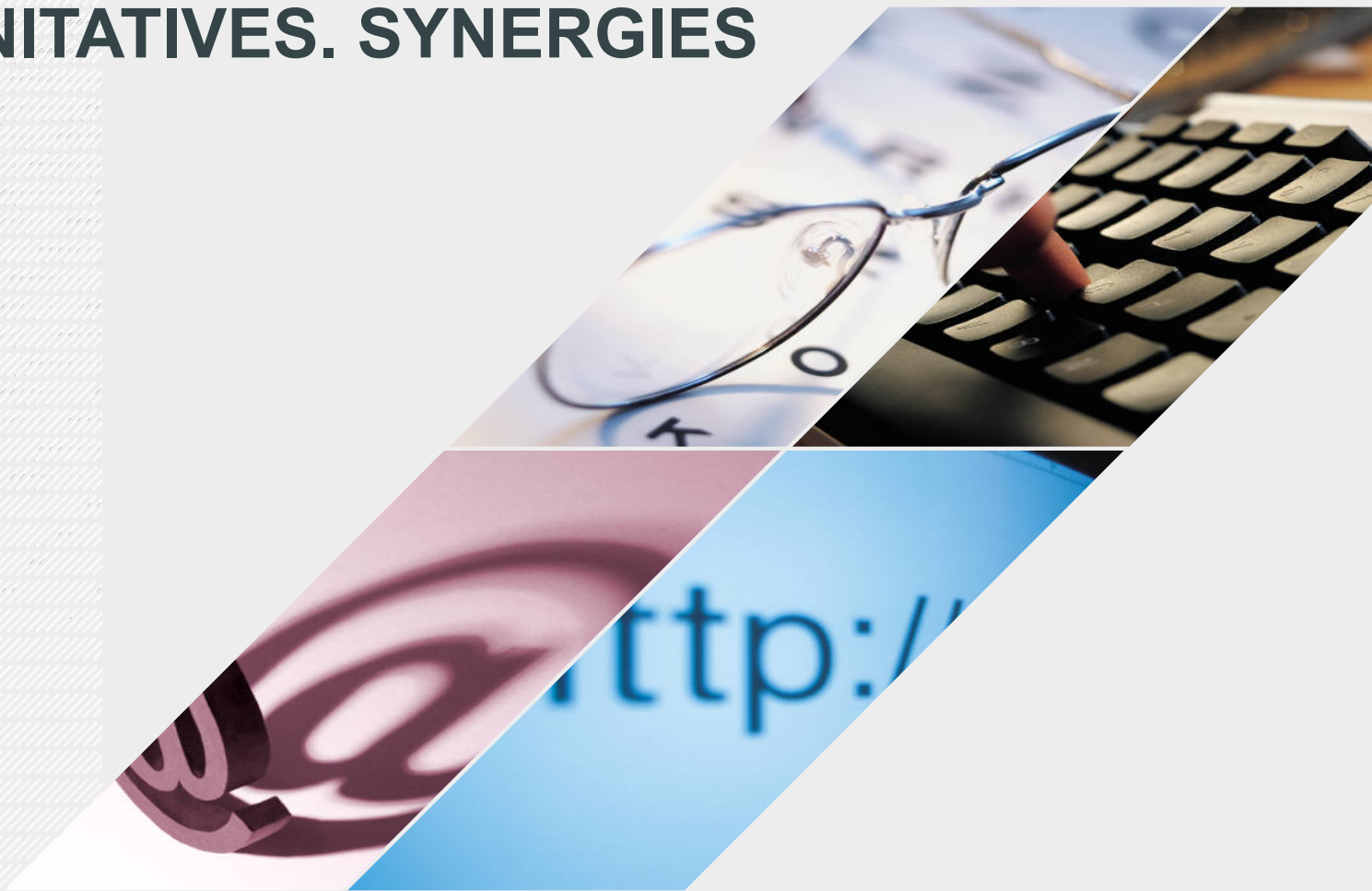
PROJECT TARGET GROUPS:

- A) STI policy-makers in CA (+100 directly involved in activities),
- B) HEI leaders & managers in 3-18 CA countries (ca. 200),
- C) STI practitioners from HEIs, PROs, private sector (150+),
- D) Student population (ca. 1000 directly involved in competitions, science days)

PROJECT FINAL BENEFICIARIES:

- Policy-makers in the entire CA region *HEIs & PROs leaders, researchers, students in 18 CA countries *Enterprises;
- *international STI actors – facilitated cooperation *society at large- improved STI

OTHER INITIATIVES. SYNERGIES



SYNERGIES

- (*) 'IP Charter initiative and EC Recommendation on the management of IP in knowledge transfer activities' (2008), the EC commissioned study "Monitoring and analysis of TT and IP regimes and their use" 2009; the programme "Integrating and strengthening the European Research Area"- Coherent development of research & innovation policies;
- (*) Entrepreneurship Program for Innovation in the Caribbean (<http://www.infodev.org/>);
- (*) ALFA III funded 'PILA-Network' for IP management in Latin American HEIs. (*) Erasmus Mundus project HEIP-Link: Promoting research collaboration and IP management,
- (*) ACP-EU Energy facility, EC Com. 'Energy Cooperation with the Developing Countries' underlining the importance of TT to broaden energy access.



(*) WIPO Activities



CAP4INNO. KEY DATA

- **FUNDED BY:** EDULINK II
- **DURATION:** 36 M (8/10/2013 – 7/10/2016)
- **BUDGET:** 492,865.46 Euros
- **PARTNERS:** 5 Universitis. Spain, Sweden, Dominican Rep., Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago /West Indies
- **ASSOCIATES:** 3 Caribbean IP Offices, WIPO
- **OBJECTIVES:** * To modernize university curricula to integrate IP and TT in studies of engineers, economics, law;
*To enhance networking and technology transfer
- **ACTIVITIES:** benchmarking, modernize curricula, create e-learning platform, promote pilot projects with students



Thank you!

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