Trainings / handbooks



One of the initiatives of the NoGAP project aiming to bridge the gap between science and industry was to train the stakeholders from EaP countries, involved in the societal challenge "secure, clean and efficient energy", in how to deal with the issues of technology transfer between research and business.

A number of 12 one-day long open to everyone trainings have been delivered in

- Ukraine, Georgia (with invited participants from Azerbaidjan and Armenia) and
- Belarus (with invited participants from Moldova)

by the team members from the Technical University of Cluj-

(Germany). Overall, these events were attended by the following number of interested attendees: 54 individual researchers, 79 SME representatives and 61 trainers-multiplicators.

The general objective was to demonstrate relevant know-how in innovation and technology transfer that can be used to increase the competitiveness and innovation

capabilities in universities, companies and other organizations.

During the trainings, the main focus was devoted to ensuring awareness and involvement of all the participants in operating with concepts related to:

- Innovation & Knowledge Support,
- Technology Transfer and IPR, Innovation Management,
- How to Make Audit Servises,
- Transnational Partnerships and
- Writing a Successful Project Proposal.

Beside theoretical aspects, the events were aimed to be organized including brainstorming activities and to be held in



a friendly manner, so work was not only organized in groups, but individual communication activities were also encouraged.

So, the trainings comprised considerable interactive parts (exercises, simulations, case studies) to provide as much help as possible in order to aid in the application and comprehension the new knowledge and to stimulate the participants to share insights with each other.



Apart from that, the team of trainers were aiming to establish networking activities, so participants not only gained new valuable knowledge, but also had a inevitable opportunity for chit-chat and other networking activities.

All trainees were invited to join the network of stakeholders in "secure, clean and efficient energy" through the project website, Facebook page and the national email groups created on the Google Groups platform.

To support the process of education during trainings and afterwards the team of authors from the National Technical University of Ukraine "Kyiv Polytechnic Institute" (Ukraine), Technical University of Cluj-Napoca (Romania), The Union of Slovak Clusters (Slovakia) and Steinbeis-Europa-Zentrum (Germany) have developed a series of handbooks, namely:

- "Technology Transfer in the Field of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Sources" for researchers,
- "Innovation management & Transnational partnership" for SMEs and Start-ups/Entrepreneurs,
- "Training of Trainers in Technology Transfer" for multiplicators.

Training materials within these handbooks are presented in two languages – English and Russian, which expands the target audience in EaP countries. Receiving these books were highly appreciated by the participants.

All Handbooks can be downloaded from the NoGAP project website by the following link: <u>http://no-gap.eu/en/1539.php</u>.