

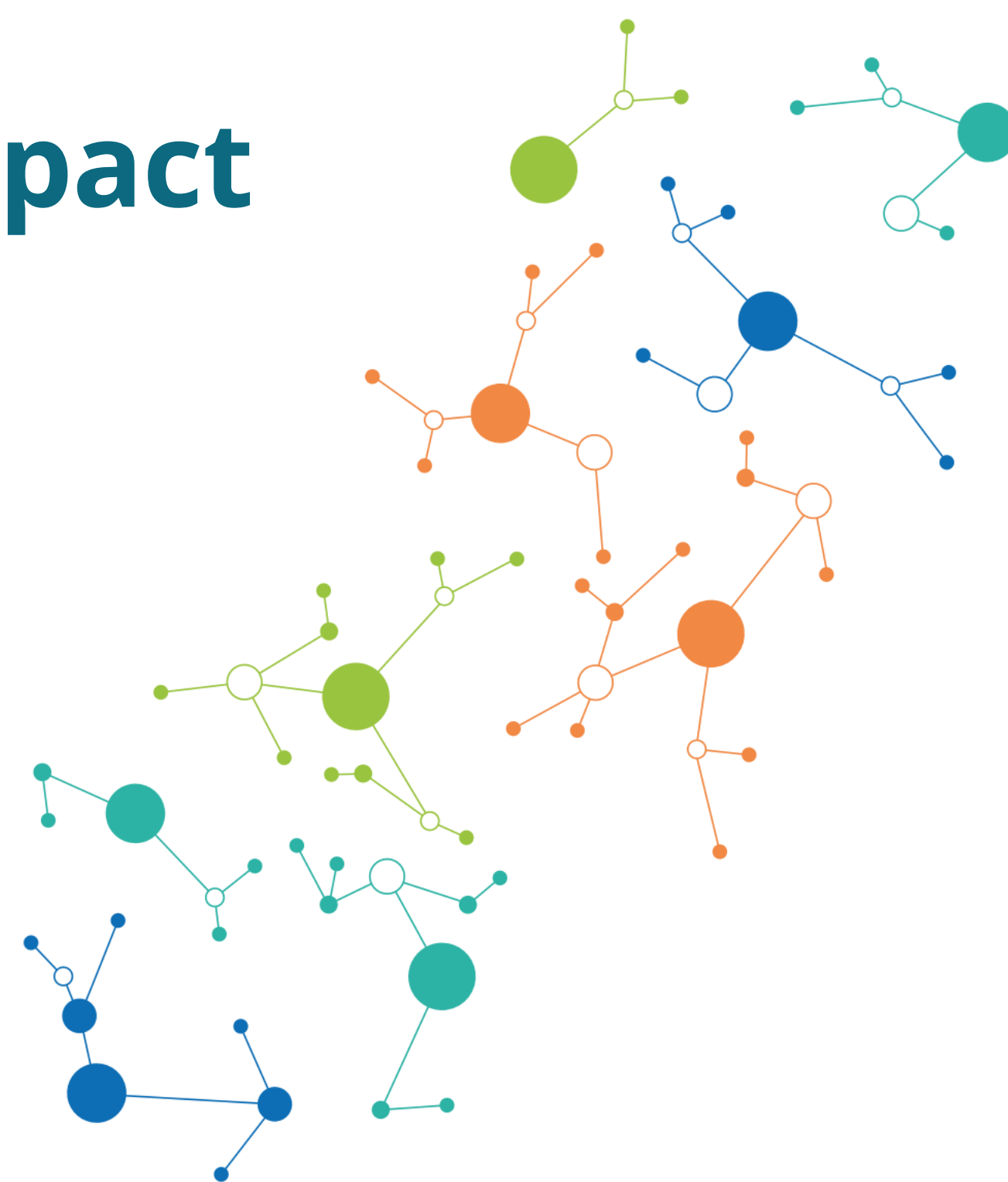


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Dear TASK4ISI Community,

we are excited to bring you the latest updates from our ongoing TASK4ISI project, where progress continues to inspire and innovate!

## Reflecting on the project's impact



As TASK4ISI approaches its final phase, the project has already made a strong contribution to more inclusive entrepreneurial ecosystems across Central Europe. Through the establishment of **ISIHUBs**, the testing of **Business Skills and Business Matchmaking Programmes**, and the **development of strategic tools and action plans**, the project has improved access to entrepreneurial support and strengthened regional cooperation.

Beyond its concrete outputs, TASK4ISI has demonstrated the value of **transnational collaboration** - bringing together partners, knowledge and experiences to support inclusive entrepreneurship and create a strong foundation for future cooperation.

### Supporting inclusive entrepreneurship through workshops and networking

In January 2026, the German project partners **Plattform e.V.** and **CGE Erfurt e.V.** organised workshops and networking events as part of the **Business Skills Programme** in the region. Participants attended workshops on various topics, including the **Business Model Canvas** and **Value Proposition**, while also connecting with other active organisations through dedicated networking events.



### Empowering future entrepreneurs through the Startup Preschool initiative

**Plattform e.V.** and **CGE Culture Goes Europe - Soziokulturelle Initiative Erfurt e.V.** hosted a Startup Preschool with Startup Migrants in Schmalkalden, marking the conclusion of the **Business Skills Programme** in Germany. During the three-day workshop, participants learned the basics of starting a business in Germany and pitched their business ideas.



### Hackaton GBS 2026 in Krakow inspires young entrepreneurs

Hackathon GBS 2026 organised by **Municipality of Krakow** and **Krakow University of Economics** has successfully concluded, bringing together 16 teams of young innovators who spent four days developing creative business ideas with the support of experienced mentors. The event highlighted the creativity, entrepreneurial spirit and innovation potential of young people, while also strengthening cooperation between academia, business and public institutions. Hackathon GBS 2026 also reflected the goals of TASK4ISI by encouraging inclusive entrepreneurship and supporting young people in developing the skills and confidence needed to turn ideas into real initiatives.



### Building connections at the Community Day in Cesena

One of the key moments of the TASK4ISI Community Day in Cesena was the **networking session**, which brought together aspiring **entrepreneurs**, **local stakeholders** and **support organisations**. Through **matchmaking walls**, **thematic tables** with the **ISIHUB network** and **informal exchanges during lunch**, participants shared what they could offer and what they were looking for to strengthen their business ideas. The session helped spark new conversations, reveal complementarities and create meaningful connections across the local ecosystem. It encouraged participants to move beyond formal introductions and engage in more targeted, opportunity-driven discussions. It also became a space where ideas met opportunities - the kind of inclusive entrepreneurial collaboration TASK4ISI aims to foster.



### Women entrepreneurs explore growth paths in Budapest

As part of **Impact Hub Budapest's 10th anniversary event series**, a networking event for women programmes and practical tools to help develop their ventures. The event titled **"What's next? Boutique or Empire?"** brought together participants to explore different paths for business growth. Through interactive workshops, attendees gained insights into current trends among women entrepreneurs, as well as information on relevant support organised within the TASK4ISI project, which supports underrepresented entrepreneurs across Europe and fosters more inclusive and accessible entrepreneurial ecosystems.



## Aspiring entrepreneurs strengthen skills with ISIHUB Romagna

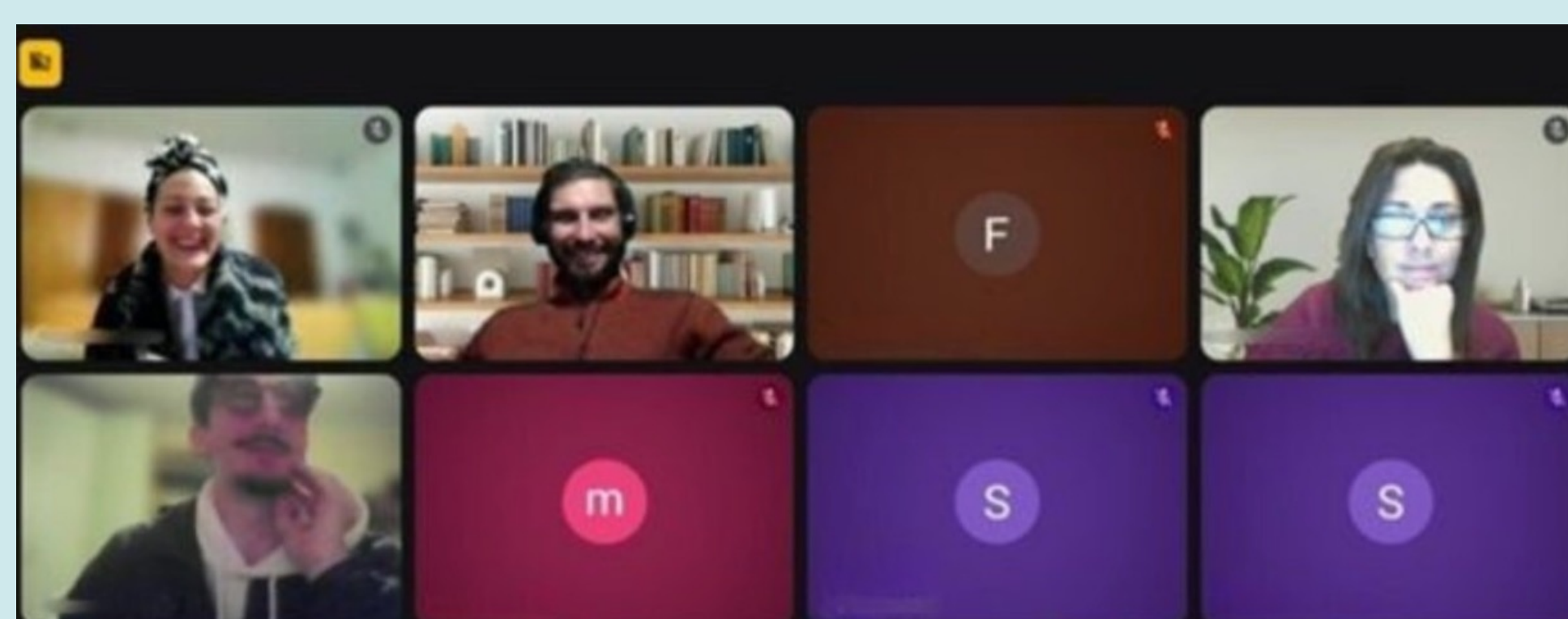
The **pilot Business Skills Programme** for aspiring entrepreneurs, promoted by **ISIHUB Romagna** within the TASK4ISI project, was delivered online and has concluded its plenary and small-group sessions.

Over several weeks, participants strengthened key entrepreneurial competences, working closely with experts and tutors while also engaging in meaningful peer exchange. The programme provided a supportive learning environment to develop ideas and build confidence in taking the next steps towards entrepreneurship.



## ISIHUB Romagna continues supporting entrepreneurs

The **ISIHUB Romagna entrepreneurship support programme** continues to deliver encouraging results within the TASK4ISI project. In February, classroom training for aspiring entrepreneurs concluded alongside a networking event involving participants and local stakeholders. Tailored support activities are now ongoing to help participants further develop their business projects. At the same time, training for a first group of early-stage entrepreneurs has also started, with a new pathway planned in collaboration with the ISIHUB Romagna network. The programme's personalised approach remains a key strength, providing participants with targeted support that is already making a visible difference in their entrepreneurial growth and confidence.



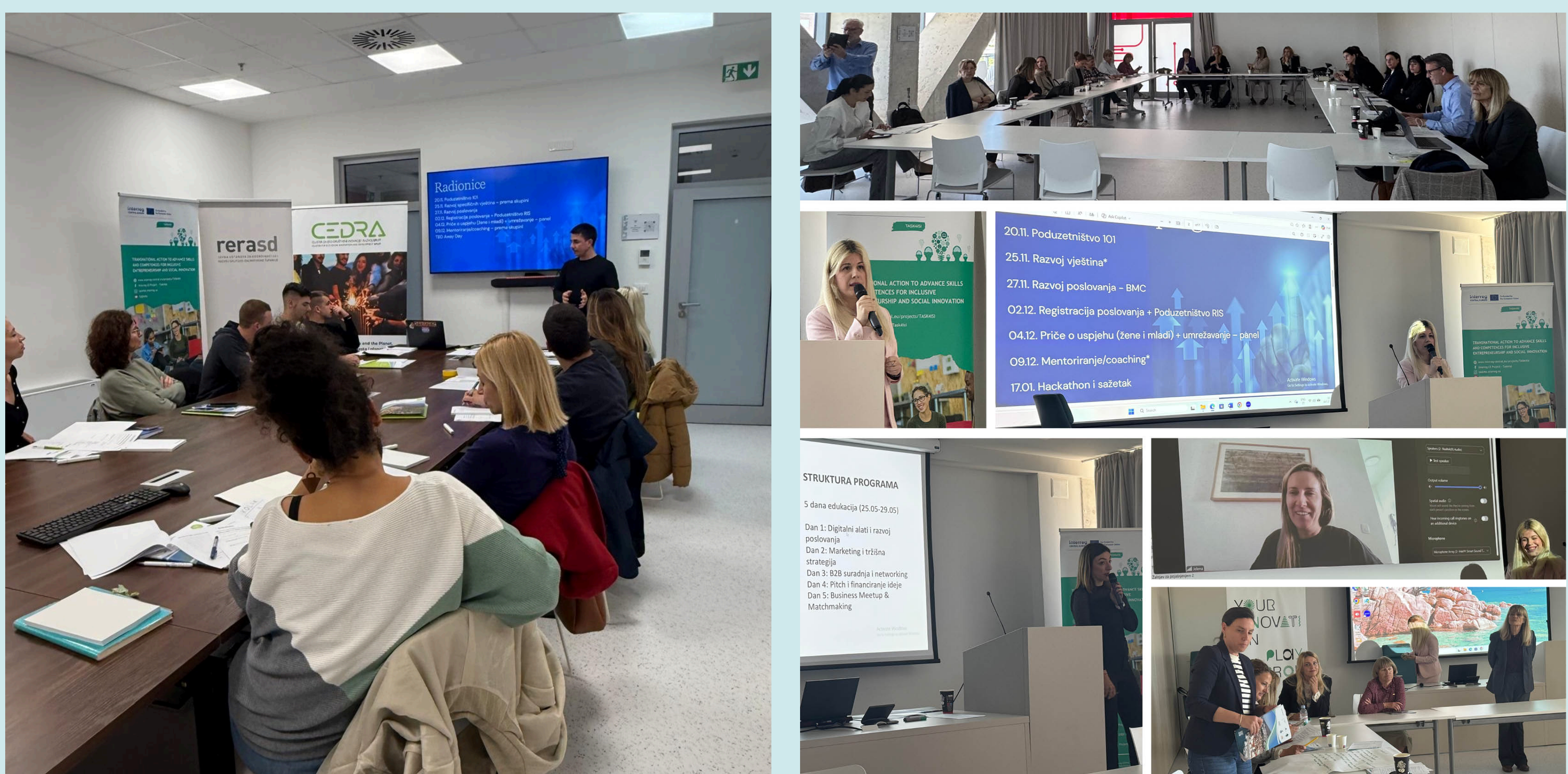
## Strengthening inclusive entrepreneurship in Split-Dalmatia County (Croatia)

Inclusive entrepreneurship is not only about creating new support measures - it is also about making existing opportunities more visible, accessible and better connected. Through the TASK4ISI project, important progress has been made in strengthening inclusive entrepreneurship across Central Europe by fostering cooperation, testing practical support solutions and connecting key stakeholders.

In Split-Dalmatia County, the **ISIHUB** led by **PI RERA S.D.** has brought together public institutions, business support organisations and target groups such as women and young people. **Pilot activities**, including the **Business Skills Programme** and the **Business Matchmaking Programme**, provided aspiring and early-stage entrepreneurs with practical knowledge, mentoring and tailored business development support.

One key lesson from the project is clear: **support opportunities may already exist, but many potential users are still unaware of them.** This highlights the importance of visibility, coordination and accessibility alongside the support itself.

Building on these results, partners are focusing on developing **Local Action Plan Packages**, strengthening stakeholder cooperation and further shaping the ISIHUB as a more accessible one-stop-shop for entrepreneurs. TASK4ISI demonstrates that stronger entrepreneurial ecosystems are built not only through new initiatives, but also through better communication, coordination and continuity.



### TASK4ISI partners will gather in Krakow for Final Conference and Study Visit

The TASK4ISI partnership will gather in **Krakow** on **22–23 September 2026** for the project's **Final Conference** and **Transnational Study Visit** in Poland. The two-day event will bring together project partners, ISIHUB members, stakeholders and regional actors to reflect on the project's achievements, exchange experiences and discuss future cooperation beyond the project's lifetime.

The conference will include the official launch of the **Joint Networking Strategy and the TASK4ISI Joint Strategy & Action Plan**, presenting key approaches for strengthening inclusive entrepreneurship ecosystems across participating regions. Participants will also take part in transferability workshops focused on the TASK4ISI model, methodologies and practical experiences gained through cooperation with aspiring and early-stage entrepreneurs.

Alongside the conference sessions, the programme will feature the **5th Steering Committee Meeting**, discussions on long-term sustainability through the **Memorandum for Sustainable Cooperation**, and a **study visit to Krakow Technology Park**, where participants will explore innovation and entrepreneurship support practices in Poland.

The event will conclude with networking activities and guided visits through Krakow's historic centre and the revitalised area of Nowa Huta, further strengthening transnational exchange and collaboration among partners and stakeholders.



### What's next?

Looking ahead, we're shifting from pilot delivery to sustainability and scale-up. Our next milestones are: co-creating and adopting the Memorandum of Sustainable Cooperation, finalising Local Action Plan Packages (LAPPs) grounded in pilot evidence, and operationalising the Joint Strategy Agenda (JSA). Pilot results feed into the LAPPs and policy integration work, so that support for "missing" entrepreneurs can continue beyond the project's lifetime. Stay tuned and follow the project's [YouTube channel](#), where videos created by the project partners will be published soon.

We're excited to continue fostering meaningful collaborations, exchanging innovative ideas, and driving positive impact for entrepreneurs across Central Europe.

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