

Agenda

Diversity Connectors for Start-ups: The Art of Mixing
A Learning Cluster Project of Intercultural Cities, The Council of Europe
Participant Workshop and Site Visit
Hosted by Barcelona Activa,
c/ Llacuna, 162, 08018 Barcelona, SALA MÓN room, -1 floor
April 26th-27th 2017

Evening of the 25th of April

20.00 – 22.00 Dinner at Julivert Meu 7, Bonsuccés Street, 08001

Day One	
9.00-9.30h	Registration
9.30-9.45h	Welcome from Barcelona Activa, Cristina Gil, Head of International Projects and European Funds
9.45-10.00h	Aims of the project, Irena Guidikova, Intercultural Cities, The Council of Europe
10.00 – 10.15h	Agenda for the meeting and expected outcomes, Beth Ginsburg, Intercultural Cities
10.15-10.30h	Introductions and aims of participants
10.30-11.30h	 Panel I and Group Discussion: This panel will explore why a model for diversity connectors is needed in the incubator world. It will address questions such as: 1. How do we define a diversity connector? How does it differ from a regular start-up? 2. Why is diversity important in the composition of incubators? 3. How does diversity create a positive environment and impact for start-ups? 4. To your knowledge, do diversity connectors already exist? 5. Why does diversity in incubators need to be orchestrated rather than letting it naturally occur? Panelists: Marcin Kęćko, city of Lublin; Start-up Hub; Antonio Dellatti, FabriQ; DuDu Gencel, Start-up Services, Vienna Business Agency; Matteo Rinaldi, Mondinsieme Network

Moderator: Beth Ginsburg, ICC expert



11.30- 12.00h Coffee

12.00 – 13.00h Panel II and Group Discussion:

This panel will explore ways to develop diversity connectors and prior experiences from the participants.

It will address questions such as:

- 1. What are the key elements needed to create a diversity connector?
- 2. Can you change an existing incubator into a diversity connector?
- 3. What are participants' experiences or knowledge of others which are trying to create a diverse group of SMEs in its incubators?
- 4. What have you learned from this experience to share as advice with others?
- 5. How can this model attract funding?

Panelists:

Antonio Dellatti, FabriQ; Frédéric Kastner, The Entrepreneurial Refugee Network; Margaux Cosnier, La Ruche; Ana Maria Alvarez Monge, Migration Hub Network; Maria Guimarães, Start-up Lisboa Moderator: Irena Guidikova, ICC Director

13.00-14.00h Lunch at *L'Actiu Restaurant*, Llacuna 162, at Barcelona Activa

14.00-15.00h Case study from MOB, Makers of Barcelona, a Barcelona incubator, Laura Fernandez

15.00 – 16.30h Break-out Groups: **Proposing different scenarios** with discussion following break-out groups

16.30 -17.00h Coffee/tea Break

17.00- 17.30h Conclusions from the day and plan for tomorrow

20.00h Dinner at Gracia, Calle de Asturias 83, 08024 Barcelona

Day Two



9.00-9.30h	Registration
9.30 -10.30h	Review of Day 1 and Brainstorming Session: Developing a blueprint for a Diversity Connectors model Chair: Beth Ginsburg
10.30-11.00h	Coffee
11.00-11.20h	Introduction to the incubation service
11.20-11:30h	Travel to the Barcelona Activa Glories Business Incubator
11:30h-12:30h	Visit to the Barcelona Activa Glories Business Incubator
12:30-13.00h	Visit to the Entrepreneurship Resource Centre (c/Llacuna 162)
13.15-14.30h	Lunch at SOPA, Roc Boronat 114 (in the 22 @ district)
14.45-15.45h	De-brief on site visits, conclusions from the workshop and next steps Chair: Beth Ginsburg
15.45-17.00h	Tour of the 22 @ District