

# BeAware

### Bridging East West for Aerospace Research

The BEAWARE consortium connects leading aerospace clusters and support organisations in Western Europe (France, Germany, United Kingdom, Spain and Italy) with quickly evolving aerospace clusters and strongholds in Eastern Europe (Poland, Romania, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Baltic States). Thus, the BEAWARE project creates the necessary conditions for utilizing the existing and emerging potential in the field of Aeronautics and Air Transport for a continuous and sustainable contribution in European aerospace programmes and projects.

To achieve maximum results and extend the duration of expected impacts, the BEAWARE project strives towards an ideal state, where an evolvement of new partnerships between aerospace actors from Eastern and Western European countries will not depend on additional EU financing as a main prerequisite to start their collaborative projects in the field of Aeronautics and Air Transport.

## **BeAware Project**

Statistics show that up to 95% of project Coordinators under Framework Programmes have come from the Western European countries. Although the potential of aeronautical organisations from Eastern Europe is much bigger, the majority of them are not yet in a position to move from a regionally organised supply chain to a Europe-wide value creation chain, either because they lack of funds or because they are not aware about the needs and requirements. This is the reason, why BEAWARE was launched.

The BEAWARE project has set an objective to support potential coordinators and potential partners from Eastern European countries while identifying future R&D project opportunities in the field of Aeronautics and Air Transport within the frame of Horizon 2020. The largest network of aerospace clusters in Europe – the European Aerospace Cluster Partnership (EACP) will now push innovation through building cooperation ties between aerospace cluster managers in East and West.

#### The Consortium

The BEAWARE consortium lead by innovation bureau Invent Baltics, connects leading aerospace clusters (Aerospace Valley, Farnborough Aerospace Consortium, Hamburg Aviation, Helice, Moravian Aerospace Cluster and Pôle Pégase), regional associations and agencies (Association of Polish Aviation Industry, Agency for the Promotion of European Research) and aerospace strongholds (National Institute for Aerospace Research, Vilnius Gediminas Technical University and Zilinska University).

In order to facilitate the entry into supply chains for Eastern European aerospace actors, well-focused workshops in various technology areas together with factory tours to major aerospace hotspots in France, Italy, and Germany







(Marseille – Toulouse – Torino – Apulia – Hamburg – Berlin) will be organized. Through hands-on support by mentors and experts, potential new market entries and new/ innovative product suppliers will be identified.

To enter new players and to introduce new technologies in the supply chain takes usually at least 2 years. As a result, innovation chains based on Key Enabling Technologies will be structured. Beyond this, Eastern European aerospace clusters are encouraged to join EACP in future.

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