



**Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)  
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**M3  
First Mid Term Meeting**

# Multidisciplinary Approach to Plan Smart Specialization Strategies for Local Economic Development - MAPS-LED

**FIRST MID-TERM MEETING**  
**Northeastern University of Boston, MA (US) Department of Economics**  
**Host Partner Organization**  
**6-7 June 2016**

## Programme

**Date: 6th June 2016 Location: 301 Lake Hall**

**Mid-term review meeting** (Grant Agreement number: 645651 — MAPS-LED — H2020-MSCA-RISE-2014 art. 19.1)

- 9.00 – 9.30 am Registration and coffee
- 9.30 – 9.40 am Welcome address
- 9.40 – 9.50 am European Commission - Research Executive Agency  
**REA's guidelines and expectations**
- 9.50 – 10.20 am Presentation of participants  
**Beneficiaries and Partner Organizations**
- 10.20 – 11.00 am Coordinator presentation  
**Main project objectives - General overview: Secondments implementation, main scientific results, dissemination, impact, deviations and planned actions.**
- 11.00 – 11.10 pm Coffee break
- 11.10 – 12.30 pm WPs leader presentation  
**Wp1-Wp2 Research and Innovation; S3. Cluster policy and Spatial Planning**  
**WP3 Social Innovation and Territorial Milieu**  
**WP4 Pilot S3 areas in EU**
- 12.30 – 1.30 Light Lunch break
- 1.30 – 2.30 pm Meeting Rea & Seconded Staff
- 2.30 – 3.00 pm Visit to the research premises
- 3.10- 4.00 pm Management-feedback from REA
- 4.00 – 4.30 Round Table on next steps: First and Second International Workshop  
**FOCUS Workshop**  
**SOBE Workshop**



**Date: 7th June 2016 Location: 301 Lake Hall**

**Info Day – Horizon 2020**

9.00 – 11.00 am REA presentation: Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions

### **MAPS-LED Mid Term Meeting**

1.30 – 1.40 pm Introduction to the afternoon session

1.40 – 2.20 pm Panel Discussion  
**Feedbacks from EU regional policy makers. First insights from US Cluster**

2.20 – 2.30 pm Coffee break

2.30 – 3.00 pm Panel Discussion  
**Feedbacks from EU regional policy makers. First insights from US Cluster**

3.00 – 3.30 pm Panel Discussion  
**“Research and innovation strategies in cluster policy”**

3.30 – 4.00 pm Round Table on next steps: First and Second International Workshop

3.30 – 4.00 pm Open discussion and questions

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### **Welcome address**

[Gragory Wassall](#), Graduate Coordinator of Economics – Department of Economics – Northeastern University of Boston

[Alan W. Dyer](#), Professor of Economics, Department of Economics – Northeastern University of Boston

### **REA's guidelines and expectations**

[Desislava Kolarova](#), Project adviser - European Commission REA, Unit A3

### **Presentation of Participants**

Each unit will present in 5 minutes its composition (ERs and ERS) and its main focus and task within the MAPS-LED project.

[Carmelina Bevilacqua](#), PAU unit University of Reggio Calabria (IT)

[Bruno Monardo](#) FOCUS unit University La Sapienza Roma (IT)

[Claudia Trillo](#) SOBE unit University of Salford Manchester (UK)

[Hanna Mattila](#) AALTO unit University of Alato Hesinki (FI)

[Nico Calavita](#) SDSU unit San Diego State University, CA (US)

[Alan W. Dyer](#) NEUSEP unit Northeastern University of Boston, MA (US)

### **Coordinator presentation (40 min)**

[Carmelina Bevilacqua](#), MAPS-LED Coordinator

I Part: General overview of the project

II Part: Research and training activities during the first and second year of the project

III Part: First findings from the cluster case studies in Boston and Cambridge

IV Part: Management Plan

## **WPs leader presentation**

Objectives –Implementation - Seconded researcher presentation Working, Transfer of knowledge, networking, impact

### **Wp1-Wp2 Research and Innovation; S3. Cluster policy and Spatial Planning (30 min)**

Pasquale Pizzimenti, Pau Unit, Giuseppe Cantafio, PAU unit, Carla Maione, PAU unit,  
The methodological approach to connect Cluster with Spatial planning: the MAPS-LED GIS.  
Virginia Borelli, Pau Unit, Luana Parisi, PAU unit, Giada Anversa, PAU unit  
The Cluster policy initiatives from regional to urban level in Boston and Cambridge  
Claudia Trillo, SOBE Unit, Clare Devaney, SOBE Unit  
Smart Specialization Strategies: exploiting the regional- urban nexus

### **WP3 Social Innovation and Territorial Milieu (20 min)**

Nico Calavita, SDSU unit  
The resaerch activities in San Diego and training activities  
Hanna Mattila AALTO unit  
The deviations and planned actions: the contribution of AALTO unit to the project

### **WP4 Pilot S3 areas in EU (30 min)**

Vincenzo Provenzano, PAU unit  
The Calabria and Sicily Region RIS3 and the S3 process  
Michele Talia, FOCUS Unit  
The inland areas in Italy and RIS3 implementation  
Claudia Trillo, SOBE unit, Clare Devaney, SOBE unit  
Greater Manchester: the RIS3 strategy

## **Meeting REA & Seconded Staff**

Desislava Kolarova, Project adviser - European Commission REA, Unit A3

Giuseppe Pronesti, PAU unit, Giammarco Cantafio, PAU unit, Claudio Massimo Colombo, PAU unit, Isra Hanafi, PAU unit. Laura Biancuzzi, PAU unit  
Andrea Simone, PAU unit, Almona Tani, PAU unit, Nicolle del Re, PAU unit, Leonardo Bianchi, FOCUS unit.

## **MANAGEMENT - FEEDBACK FROM REA**

Desislava Kolarova, Project adviser - European Commission REA, Unit A3

Carmelina Bevilacqua, MAPS-LED Coordinator, Management Plan: Evaluation and mixed adjustment

## **Round Table on next steps: First and Second International Workshop**

Claudia Mattogno FOCUS unit University La Sapienza Roma (IT)  
FOCUS Workshop –  
Claudia Trillo, SOBE unit  
SOBE Workshop

**7 June**

**Info Day – Horizon 2020**

## **REA presentation: Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions**

Desislava Kolarova, Project adviser - European Commission REA, Unit A3



## **First Midterm Meeting – MAPS-LED project (Milestone M3)**

### **Introduction to the afternoon session**

Carmelina Bevilacqua, MAPS-LED Coordinator

### **Feedbacks from EU regional policy makers. First insights from US Cluster**

The MAPS-LED consortium meets a panel of experts from Northeastern University, MIT, CIC

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### **Roundtable on pilot case studies in EU: potentials from the first scientific report “Research and innovation strategies in cluster policy”**

Open discussion on the first results supposed to transfer knowledge in order to select pilot case studies in Europe.