



Welcome to the September newsletter of Startup Europe Regions Network. We would like to share with you interesting initiatives, news and events about EU regions, as well as information about SERN activities and upcoming events.

Enjoy your reading!



European Commission Notice
“**Guidance on Innovation
procurement**”

This guidance, published on the 15th of May 2018, offers **practical guidance on innovation public procurement**. SERN highlights the **section 4.1.6** of the guidance, which is related to leaving IPR ownership with the suppliers instead of the procurers. Discover more about the **EC public procurement guidance** [here](#).



LEA Webinar Series in Autumn
2018

LEA Webinar Series will talk about innovation procurement in Learning technology field and will take place every wednesday at 10:30 am CET. The first LEA webinar was held on the 19th of September 2018 on 'What is innovative procurement – PPI & PCP'. More information [here](#).



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Stakeholder Consultation - The
InvestEU Program

The European Committee of the Regions is currently preparing an opinion on the “The InvestEU Programme”. The stakeholder consultation will take place on the Wednesday 26th of September 2018 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the European Committee of Regions. You can register [here](#).



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ESPON Trainings

ESPON TNO is organising the following two editions of the ESPON training on the **Territorial Impact Assessment (TIA) tool**. The first edition will take place in **Zagreb (Croatia)** on the **6th November 2018** and the second edition will take place in **The Hague (The Netherlands)** on the **20th November 2018**. Registration for the first webinar [here](#) and for the second one [here](#).

**Register online
until 28 September!**



European Week of Regions and Cities 2018: Do not forget to register !

SERN is organising a session on “*Pre-Commercial Procurement: challenges faced by regions and cities*” at the 16th edition of the European Week of Regions and Cities. The session will take place on the **9th of October from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm**. The registration is open until the **Friday 28th of September**. More information about our session and registration [here](#).