

Newsletter #09

Open Alps – Results of the project

The OpenAlps project will close on the 30th of September although partners are defining future activities to continue fostering Open Innovation in SMEs. The services and tools established by OpenAlps are built to last and partners will commit to expand the innovation network.

With the results booklet OpenAlps wants to illustrate the achievements of the project and give you an overview of how Open Innovation tools and cases were spread among the companies.

The booklet will be published by the end of September.

Open Alps Final Forum in Verona

Verona Innovazione will organize on the 23th of September the Open Alps Final Forum in collaboration with the University of Verona. The event will offer the opportunity to better understand the benefits of Open Innovation approach thanks to the success stories of innovation told directly from exceptional entrepreneurs.

Among the speakers:



Keyline, an Italian company operating at a global level in the highly competitive field of design and production of keys and mechanical, electronic key cutting machines. Mrs Mariacristina Gribaudi, the owner, will tell how her family, which established the company in 1770, has been able to innovate this traditional business.

If you want to know more <http://www.veronainnovazione.it/events/80>

Fostering Open Innovation among SMEs through Social and Eco Innovation

A report drawn up by FLA (Lombardy Foundation for the Environment) wants to highlight the role that the social and environmental dimensions of innovation may deliver to the Open Alps project. The report shows three experiences developed on three distinct projects combining the following topics: *SMEs, Open Innovation, social and eco-innovation*.

In particular the “[Progetto Manifattura](#) – Green Innovation Factory” experience illustrates the important factors that trigger a green open innovation process.

For more information http://www.open-alps.eu/public/mat/file/OPEN-ALPS_Report_FLA_230714.pdf

OpenAlps Training nominated for award

The Italian partner CSP has been nominated for the EGOV award 2014 for the OpenAlps training in the category “Supporting Entrepreneurship” .

EGOV 2014, the competition for the best achievements of innovation projects developed by public administrations, now in its 10th edition, has collected 112 proposals.

Open Innovation Platform status

Thanks to promotional actions implemented by Open Alps Project Partners the SMEs and R&D centers registered on the [OI Platform](#) has increased in the last quarter of the 36%.

	July 2014	September 2014	
ACCOUNTS ACTIVATED	119	162	+ 36%
INNOVATION SEEKERS	72	99	+37%
INNOVATION SOLVERS	47	63	+34%



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