



European Institute of
Innovation & Technology

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EIT: Making Innovation happen

Peter Olesen, Chairman of the EIT Governing
Board

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Our vision is to become the leading European initiative that empowers innovators and entrepreneurs to develop world-class solutions to societal challenges, and create growth and skilled jobs.

- 1st EU initiative bringing together the three sides of the 'knowledge triangle': business (companies and SMEs), education institutions and research centres.
- aim to increase the cooperation and integration between higher education, business and research to facilitate the transition from:



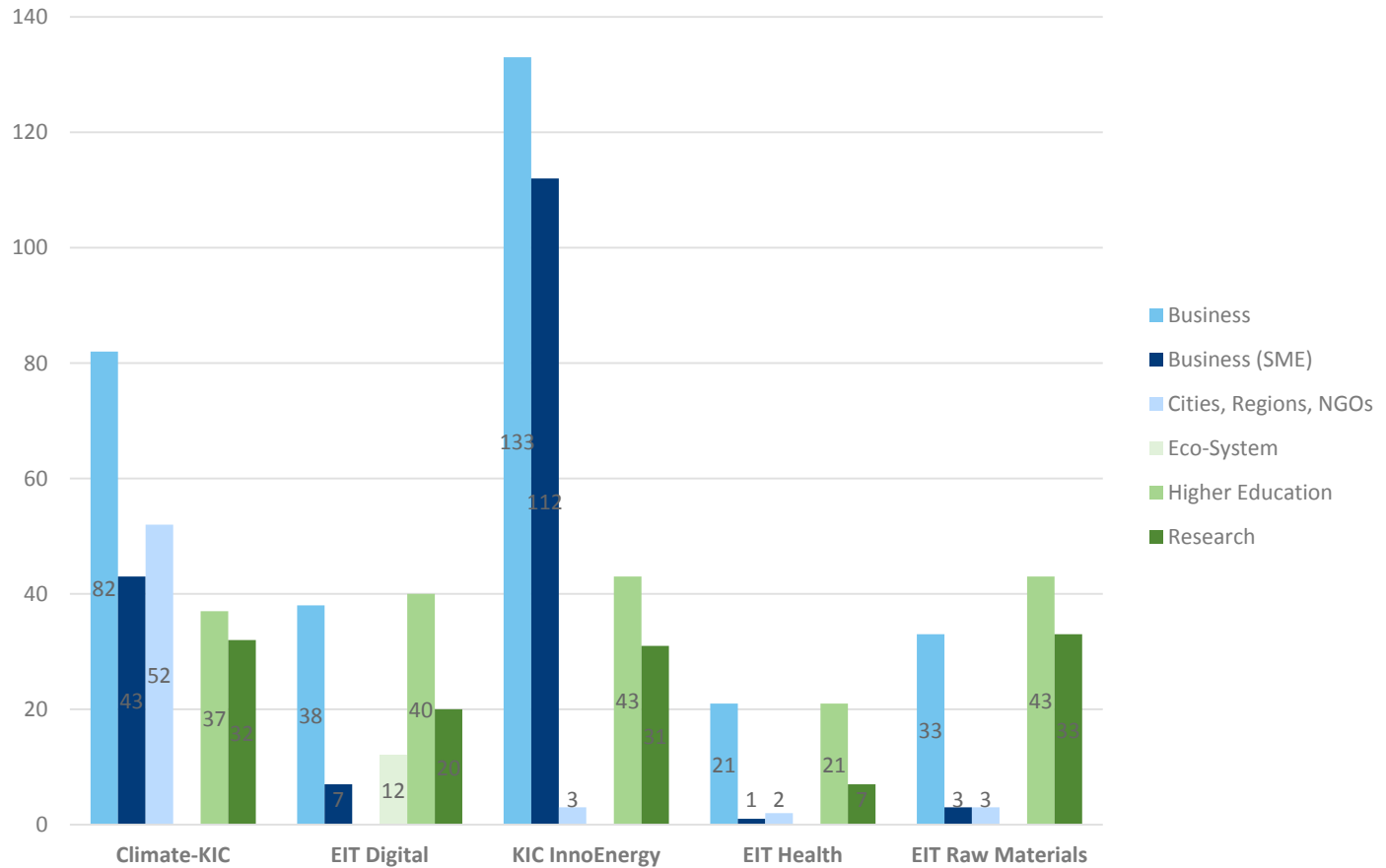
**student to
entrepreneur**

idea to product

lab to customer

Overview of EIT KIC Partners

Today, the EIT Community brings together more than **800 partners**:





The EIT's educational vision and mission

Vision

To foster entrepreneurs and innovators in Europe.

Mission

To deliver a unique brand of excellent education that is responsive to both business and societal demands, focused on innovation, entrepreneurship and creativity distinguished by an EIT label.



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Overview of main EIT Education Activities

- ➔ Master and doctoral studies
 - International cooperation, industry involvement
 - Training on specific skills and competences
 - Mobility, internships and scholarships/ fellowships
- ➔ Executive training and post-doctoral courses
- ➔ Continuous professional development courses/modules
- ➔ Learning modules and MOOCs
- ➔ Alumni and outreach activities



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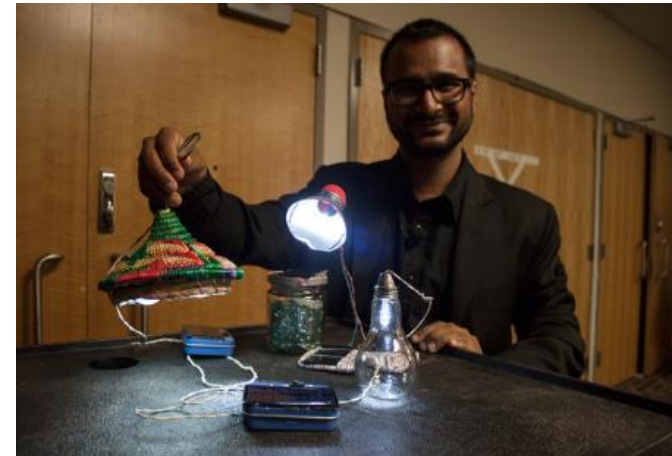


Example of Entrepreneurial Education Success

Govinda Upadhyay – LEDSAfari

Winner of the EIT Change Award 2015, a graduate from EIT KIC InnoEnergy Master's in Sustainable Energy Engineering and participant in Climate-KIC business accelerator programme.

In 2015, Govinda won 100 000 \$ from Forbes as a finalist of Forbes' 30 Under 30 global competition for young entrepreneurs. Govinda was also recently included in Forbes' '30 under 30 Europe' Europe social entrepreneurs list.



Monitoring activities in Education

1. Independent review of the EIT's Education pillar
2. Assessment of the KIC's proposal for new EIT labelled Master and Doctoral programmes
3. Targeted monitoring visits
4. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
 - i. The sum of graduates from EIT labelled MSc and PhD programmes - 776
 - ii. Start-ups created by students enrolled and graduates from labelled MSc and PhD programmes - 213

The total number of enrolled students in the EIT labelled programme: 1.974

EIT Community: 1st achievements

The first three innovation communities Climate-KIC, EIT Digital and KIC InnoEnergy have grown into thriving European innovation hubs:



776

number of graduates



213

number of start-ups created



212

number of new or improved products, services and processes launched



1,217

number of business ideas incubated



723

number of knowledge transfers/adoption



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Figures – September 2016



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