



An overview of good practices and lessons learnt from RDI in UNIC The European University of Cities in Post-Industrial Transition

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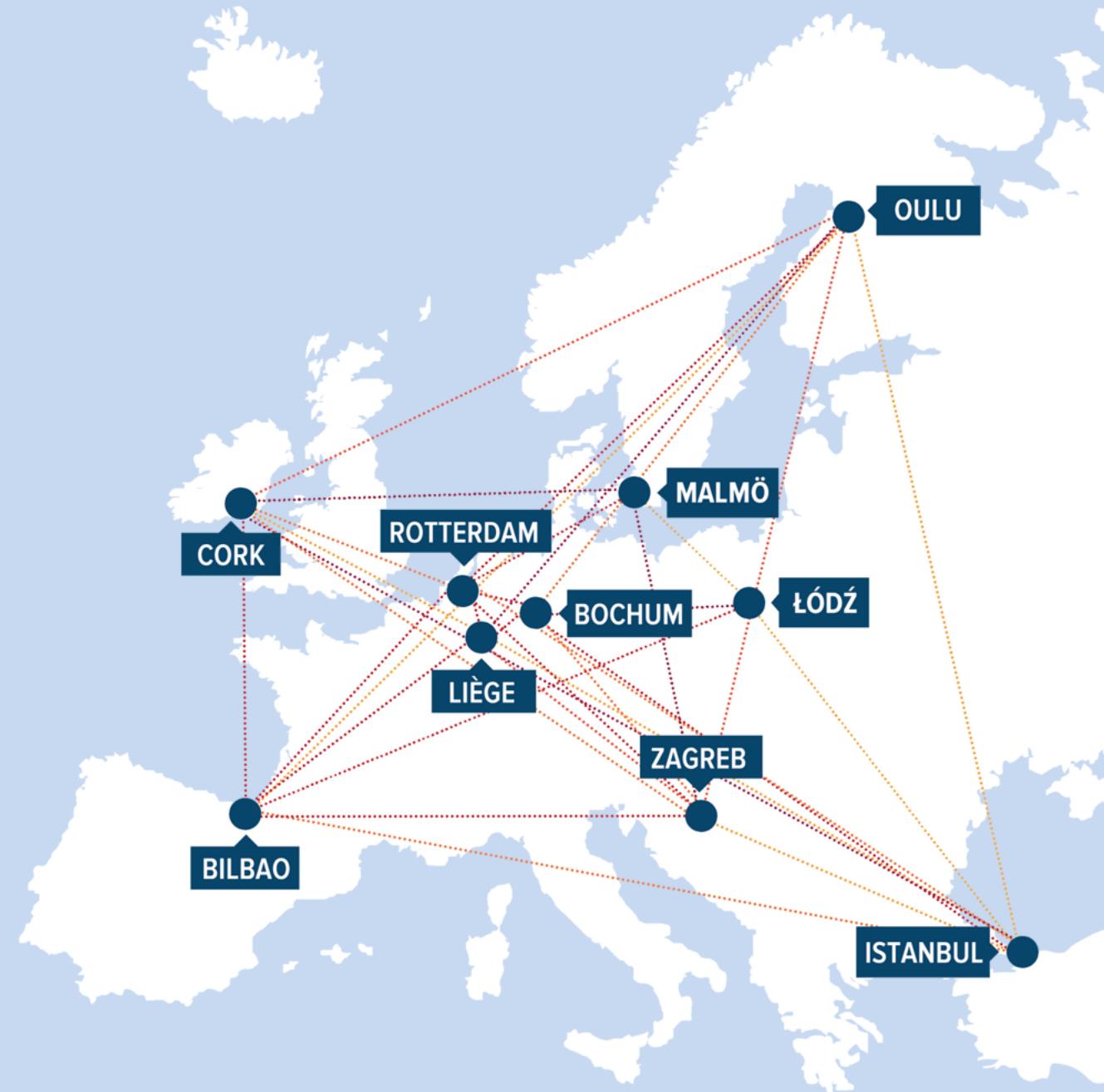
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The European University of Cities in Post-Industrial Transition (UNIC) is an established European Alliance of ten universities based in cities in post-industrial transition with a mission to further boost development of **knowledge and co-creation through collaboration, innovation and inclusion for societal impact and improvement**



Awareness raising & capacity building

Good practices

- European Declaration on Engaged Research: shared research concept
- UNIC Centre for City Futures: infrastructure, operational models and trainings
- Joint Master's Programmes + Erasmus Mundus: talent attraction and mobility
- Conferences: platforms

Lessons learnt

- Each partner has a strength
- It is good to understand each university's financing models

Activating



Good practices

- Local broker teams and living laboratories
- Structural collaboration models + RDI partnerships
- Seed Fund Calls

Lessons learnt

- Partners have diverging strategies and experience
- 'Partners for system's sake' risks drop-offs
- Devil is in the proposal writing practices