

**BSR Stars S3**  
**Smart Specialization Accelerator Workshop**  
**28-29 March 2017**  
**Vilnius, Lithuania**

**Venue:** VGTU „LinkMenu fabrikas“ creativity and innovation centre

**Address:** Linkmenų g. 28, Vilnius

**Conference Room:** 2/07 (2nd floor)

**Workshop organiser:** Vilnius Gediminas Technical University

**Participants:** partner regions Sør-Trøndelag, Tampere, Skåne and Vilnius

- Policy stakeholders (a person responsible for bio/circular economy on the regional level, person responsible for regional strategic development)
- Practice stakeholders (e.g. a person responsible for eco industrial park development in the region, or works for directly supporting bio/circular companies business development, understands the value chain, etc.)

**Workshop aims** to support partners in boosting a strategic activity in your region, by :

- Exchange experiences/learning platform on S3 implementation
- Build understanding among the regional representatives on benefits of the S3 Accelerator Camp (to be organized in autumn 2017)
- Build understanding on how to define and design and a case/challenge further joint development at the S3 Accelerator Camp
- Test project idea validation process, techniques and tools.

**Expected results and followup action:**

- Accelerator Camp will have a direct focus on bio- and circular, digital economy and build it's action on challenges and opportunities in the development of e.g. value chains, services and innovative bio-based products, bioenergy solutions or industrial symbiosis.
- Results of the Workshop and the Camp are expected to provide roadmaps to involved regions' bio/circular/digital economy challenges and development needs and bring the key stakeholders and practitioners together.
- The regions will utilize the developed solutions in their further regional efforts and projects to enhance the bio-, circular- and digital economy development and international opportunities.

## PROGRAMME:

### Tuesday 28 March

Time	Part 1 : S3 implementation approaches and experiences, regional challenges
12:00-13:00	Lunch (LinkMenu fabrikas, Linkmenų g. 28)
13:00-14:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S3 implementation in the BSR: An overview and comparison between countries, <i>Jukka Teräs, Nordregio (30 min.)</i></li> <li>Bio/circular development and key focuses of each region, <i>each region will introduce their bio/circular development including one specific case (1 hour)</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Moderated by Jukka Teräs, Nordregio &amp; Johanna Leino, the Baltic Institute of Finland</i></p>
14:30-15:00	Coffee break
15:00-17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief presentations of S3 management and implementation in project partner regions, <i>Lithuania, Tampere, Skåne, Sør Trondelag</i></li> <li>Discussion, comparison and good practices</li> <li>Summary of the first day</li> </ul> <p><i>Moderated by Jukka Teräs, Nordregio &amp; Johanna Leino, the Baltic Institute of Finland</i></p>
18:30	Guided tour in the old town, dinner

### Wednesday 29 March

Time	Part 2 : Accelerator Workshop
09:00-13:00 (incl.break)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction to acceleration process techniques: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>problem breakdown and analysis (Problem tree, Solution tree)</li> <li>value proposition (NABC)</li> <li>defining the core stakeholders, clients and users</li> <li>project aim, product aim and organization aim, drafting your WBS according to PMBOK</li> <li>case design</li> </ul> </li> <li>Hands-on teamwork with 1-2 real bio/circular economy cases/ideas - to find out how the tools could be used in practice and agree on the follow-up steps to prepare for the Accelerator Camp.</li> </ul> <p><i>Organized and facilitated by VGTU/ VITP</i></p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch

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- Agree on the follow-up steps to prepare for the Accelerator Camp, feedback and discussion.

As a result, regions bring home a deeper understanding of the process and tools for designing their cases based on specific ideas/cases partners might bring to the Camp in autumn, and roadmaps to further build their teams involving policy stakeholders and practitioners.

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