INTERFUSION

A RESEARCH PROJECTS ASSESSMENT

Introduction

interfusion's Core Departments are dedicated in providing the rigorous knowledge base and vision for new solutions, policies and inspiration in order to adequately address contemporary challenges within EU Societies whilst promoting social change, sustainability and innovation within their respective fields of interest.

Implemented and Ongoing Projects

European Commission Program "Criminal Justice" 2007-2013, Project 'FREEDOM WINGS': Identification and dissemination of European best practices about Restorative Justice and evaluation of the role and application of mediation and alternative measures in the EU member states.



European Commission Program "Criminal Justice" 2007-2013, Project 'SPRING': Prevention of and fight against crime: A new initiative to identify best practices in the alternative measures & treatment programs and to organize a European prevention campaign for youth.



Industrial Relations and Social Dialogue Program of the European Union - Directorate-Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, Project "INWORK": A European study to identify and share the best practices of the industrial relations of Craft enterprises sectors: representation beyond administration, the possible leadership of SME.



Participatory Development Capacity Building, Project 'FUTURE TOGETHER': A bi-communal project implemented along with the Cyprus Technical Chamber (ETEK), the Union of Chambers of Cyprus Turkish Engineers and Architects (KTMMOB) with the support of UNDP-ACT (United Nations Development Program—Action for Cooperation and Trust). Main actions included among others capacity assessment; the identification and development of guidelines in order to institutionalize best practices course organization, training, and training impact evaluations, dissemination etc.





BECYBERSAFE (Beat Cyberbullying): An Erasmus KA2+ Project that set the goals of creating a set of applicable approaches and strategies within the EU's vision based on different ways of motivating and engaging teenagers in safer use of internet and campaigning against cyberbullying.



INNOLABS (Student innovation labs - a way to sustainable and socially responsible growth): An Erasmus Plus KA2 project that has set the goals of establishing student based innovation platforms (Innovator models) for the benefit of sustainable and socially responsible growth.



Thalassaemia Specific Electronic Communications (TSEC) is a successfully finished project under the NGO Fund-1, Priority Area:Health and Childcare: The main objective was the creation of an open source Electronic Health Records (EHRs) web-based application, developed by Interfusion Services Ltd for helping doctors recording and analyzing medical information related to thalassaemia patients in order to enhance clinical support and improve patient care. TSEC is composed of two major modules, Serious Infections Register and Adverse Drug Reactions Record.





A secure platform for IPTV Systems (ASPIS) is a EUREKA's Eurostars project with aim to develop a technical solution that will allow users to share their personal details in an easy, controlled and secure manner on the IPTV platform. This will lead to broader adoption of IPTV turning it into a vastly more interactive medium. ASPIS platform suggests a way to solve a number of problems of handling personal information in IPTV based applications, establishing a chain of trust between the customer and the application provider with the triple play service provider as the transaction mediator.



Open Source software usage by European Public Administrations (OSEPA) is an INTERREG IVC project: Free Open Source Software (FOSS) represents a potential of significant competitiveness gains of its adopters, both for public administrations as well as citizens and companies. As a result, it is of vital importance to examine how and whether appropriate public policies can alleviate barriers and inhibitors rendering the potential benefits of FOSS actual ones and enhancing the competitiveness of European economies.



MESUP (Mentoring Start-Ups): An INTERREG GREECE – CYPRUS project that succeeded in developing a series of actions and pilot applications for collaboration between the incubators in Greece (Crete) and Cyprus to encourage and assist new businesses and enterprise spin-offs.



Understanding patients and health professionals' perspective on Telemedicine and building confidence and acceptance (Chain of Trust): A co-funded by the Public Health Programme of the European Union managed by the Executive Agency for Health and Consumers (EAHC). The overall objective of COT was to assess the perspective of the main end users of telehealth services across the EU to see whether and how views have evolved since the initial deployment of telehealth and what barriers there still are in acceptance of these services.



Highly scalable Deployment model" of Inclusive E-Gov (DIEGO), is a CIP-ICT-PSP-3 project that finished successfully;

The main outcome of DIEGO, was to offer to European Public Authorities a FULL e-Accessibility front-end for e-Gov services, highly scalable and affordable: A new "user-centric" and accessible service provision model for speeding up Inclusive e-Government & e-Governance (Inclusive e-Gov), including trans-borders services, according to preferred ICT media available (interactive TV, smart mobile devices, info-kiosks or PCs) to their respective citizens.



Speeding Every European Digital (SEED), is a CIPICT- PSP-5 project funded by E.U. that is recently concluded successfully in 2014: The target of SEED was to expand, through the "cloud computing" approach and a very cheap network of Interactive Public Service Advertising (i-PSA) nodes, the positive results of European Inclusive e-Governance initiatives to boost "citizen-centric" e-Gov Services, to reuse as much as possible the European, National, Regional and Local stocks of Public Sector Information (PSI) and to leverage saving costs of e-Government and e-Governance deployments.



INCA (Inclusive Introduction of Integrated Care) is a CIP-ICT-PSP-7: The project aims to improve outcomes for patients; creating access to better integrated socio-sanitary care e-Services (integration of health care, social care, long-term and self-care in any kind of health/living conditions) outside of hospitals; reducing unnecessary hospital admissions and enabling effective working of professionals across provider boundaries (silos).



Future Policy Modelling (FUPOL) is the only Largescale integrating project (IP) proposal that received funding from the E.U. under the FP7 ICT Call 7 - Objective ICT-2011.5.6 ICT solutions for governance and policy modelling: FUPOL aims at a completely new approach to traditional politics. Outcomes of the project, include a new governance model to engage all stakeholders in the whole policy design lifecycle, a policy knowledge database, a cloud computing based comprehensive ICT Framework, multilingual training, and multiple pilots.



Advanced Decision Support for Smart Governance (SmartGov) 'Smart Cities': The project will seek to provide new ways of designing and managing public services, infrastructure, sustainable mobility, economic development and social inclusion. However, two-way communication between citizens and urban policymakers is lacking strongly. This is partly the result of underutilization of citizens' Social Media feeds and useful Open Data sets. The SmartGov project aims to create new support tools that effectively incorporate Linked Open Data and Social Media into Fuzzy Cognitive Maps (FCMs). FCMs are a useful modelling and visualization tool for discussing policy scenarios between citizens and governments. The developed tools will be tested and implemented in four European cities.



SOCLIMPACT is a project under the H2020-SC5-2016-2017 Call (Greening the Economy): SOCLIMPACT:

DownScaling CLImate imPACTs and decarbonisation pathways in EU islands, and enhancing socioeconomic and non-market evaluation of Climate Change for Europe, for 2050 and beyond. The project aims at modelling downscaled CC effects and their socioeconomic impacts in European islands for 2030–2100, in the context of the EU Blue Economy sectors, and assess corresponding decarbonisation and adaptation pathways, complementing current available projections for Europe, and nourishing actual economic models with non-market assessment.



Summary

Interfusion employs experts in the above departments with vast experience in the management and coordination of research funded projects in both National and European level projects.

All three of our interdisciplinary departments support dynamic intellectual teams of members that focus on actively contributing and exploring links between core areas related to the wide range of the Socio Humanities, the contemporary Environmental challenges and in horizontal ICT fields like elearning, e-government and e-inclusion, while keeping in tune with regional, national and international developments.

Our main goal is to both diffuse the research findings of socially and culturally related sciences in Cyprus to the international academia and to open a dialog with the rest of the members of the European region.