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## FP7-ICT-2013-10

## Coordination and Support Action

11.5(b): Cross border services, investment readiness and legal advice for ICT SMEs, start-ups and entrepreneurs

Work Package 3

Deliverable 3.1 Selection Criteria and Evaluation Scheme

**Dissemination Level RE** 

Submission date: 13.08.2014

Responsible Partner: Media Deals

Start date of project: 01.09.2013 Duration: 24 months

## 1) Overall Selection Criteria of the EIG Project

CRITERIA	Description of the Criteria	WEIGHT
ICT based product/service	The product/service is based on an ICT technology in at least one of the mentioned categories	15%
Level of innovation	The foreseen product/service has a strong innovation potential: is innovative and fresh compared to the current working method in the sector	15%
Market potential	There is a strong potential market opportunity for the developed product/service	25%
Implementability	There is a convincing access to market strategy for the product/service and competitive advantage. The business model shows good potential for scale	10%
Target group	The product or service has a defined target group of customers	10%
Team	Management team has skills and experience to grow the business	15%
Financing	Relevance of budget and financing plan the demand/offer to invest in the company is well defined and attractive to investors	15%

## <u>1a) Scale</u>

## Scale from 1 to 3

0: criteria not fulfilled (i.e no previous funding)

1: criteria not fully fulfilled - necessary adjustments (i.e. not enough previous funding)

2: satisfactory

3: criteria fully fulfilled

### 1b) Categories and Stages

### **ICT-Categories for Events**

Socialisation

includes all ideas that focus on connecting people, devices or networks like cloud computing, smart grids, big data algorithms etc.

Visualisation

includes all ideas that focus on the visualization of content like Augmented Reality, projection technologies, 3D, screen technologies etc.

Mobilisation

includes all ideas that focus on managing and enabling mobility like location-based services, mobile devices, transportation, e-mobility etc.

Robotisation

includes all ideas that are hardware technologies like robots, drones, human-machine interfaces, game equipment, sensors, smart production etc.

Services

Includes all service-oriented products, software and devices such as e-learning, SaaS, utility computing, usability, e-commerce, finance, IoT platforms, enterprise management systems etc.

Security

Includes all IT solutions dedicated either to the security of data, soft- or hardware and infrastructure or to the security of users and their environment

**Creative Industries** 

Includes various sectors of the creative industries such as design, user experience, games, software, film and video solutions

### **Stages**

#### Seed

The first stage of venture capital financing. Seed-stage financings are often comparatively modest amounts of capital provided to inventors or entrepreneurs to finance the early development of a new product or service. These early financings may be directed toward product development, market research, building a management team and developing a business plan.

A genuine seed-stage company has usually not yet established commercial operations - a cash infusion to fund continued research and product development is essential. These early companies are typically quite difficult business opportunities to finance, often requiring capital for pre-startup R&D, product development and testing, or designing specialized equipment. An initial seed investment typically ranges from € 100 000 to € 500 000.

### Early

For companies that are able to begin operations but are not yet at the stage of commercial manufacturing and sales, early stage financing supports a step-up in capabilities.

Start-up financing provides funds to companies for product development and initial marketing. This type of financing is usually provided to companies just organized or to those that have been in business just a short time but have not yet sold their product in the marketplace. Generally, such firms have already assembled key management, prepared a business plan and made market studies. At this stage, the business is seeing its first revenues but has yet to show a

profit. This is often where the enterprise brings in its first "outside" investors.

Early stage investment normally range from € 500 000 up to € 1 5000 000 for high-tech start-ups.

### **Advanced**

Capital provided after commercial manufacturing and sales but before any initial public offering. The product or service is in production and is commercially available. The company demonstrates significant revenue growth, but may or may not be showing a profit. Many companies in this phase a seeking a second or third financing round. Typically the amount for investment lies above € 1 000 000.

## 2) Company Evaluation Table

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R	ank	Name of project/company	Status of contact	Applicant (Select Company/Founder)	Country	Industry	ICT category	Stage	Capital raised to date	Capitai	ICT based product/service	Level of innovation	Market potential		Target group	Team	Financing
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		Name	Contacted by whom? State of the Art				See categories above	See above			0-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	0-3	0-3

RATING/COMI	MENTS			RECOMMENDATION							
Overall Rating	Comments	Euroquity registration status	Has already joined EIG	1st Recommendation	2nd recommendation	dation 3rd recommendation					
Average of all ratings		Registered/ Reg. not yet completed	Yes/No	One of the following can be selected:	One of the following can be selected:	One of the following can be selected:	MFG/BPI/GB/DBIC/MD				

## 3) Specific Evaluation Table for the Silicon Stroll Bootcamp in Dublin, November 2014

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## 3a) Quality of Pitches

Scale
Excellent
Good
Average
Needs improvement (see comment section)
Insufficient

## 3b) Training Recommendations before the EIG Bootcamp

Early Stage	Advanced Stage
EIG Podcasts on Pitching and Executive Summaries for Investors obligatory	Recommendation to participate in the EIG e.pitch with feedback from EIG consortium and investors (if there is need for improvement, participation in the preparation session)
Webinar by Go Beyond on Financing Strategies or Deal Flows	EIG Podcasts on Pitching and Executive Summaries for Investors if needed
Pitching Training in the framework of an EIG pitch preparation session	Webinar by Go Beyond on Financing Strategies or Deal Flows

## **Examples Company Evaluation**

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