

## Fostering collaborative innovation through a Knowledge Transfer Network

| Vision and Aims     | In order to boost the knowledge transfer activities, the Knowledge Transfer Network intends to promote the dynamics and networking of the entities involved in these processes. Based on the experience and the work developed by the academic Knowledge Transfer Offices (KTO), it aims to launch training and qualification actions for these entities.   |
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| Target Audience     | Portuguese Knowledge Transfer Offices   |
| Key Features        | In Portugal, several public policies initiatives fostering innovation have been launched since 2001 in order to increase technology transfer from academia to industry. A network of Knowledge Transfer Offices and Industrial Property Support Offices (OTIC and GAPI) at Higher Education Institutions (HEI) and Technological Interface Centres was created, with the main purpose of increasing awareness on intellectual property rights (IPR) and supporting technology commercialisation and entrepreneurship.  Based on this experience and the work developed by the academic KTO, the Knowledge Transfer Network aims to launch training actions for these entities and promote knowledge valorisation and networking of all the entities involved in innovation processes, including:  • Promote a networked ecosystem for knowledge valorisation • Nurture good KTO practice, support training, toolkits and experience sharing • Provide an effective and attractive interface between institutions and companies that are seeking technology support • Promote the internationalization of researchers, companies and R&D activities • Improve measurement of technology transfer and knowledge valorisation. |
| Partners/Sponsors   | Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education  Ministry of Economy and Digital Transition of Portugal  |
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