



# Strengthening Life Science Clusters Across Europe



**CEBR**

COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN BIOREGIONS

# About Us

- ⦿ The Council of European BioRegions (CEBR) is a highly active European Association of Life Science Clusters, supporting the growth of Life Science Ecosystems across Europe.
- ⦿ Representing nearly 50 subscription members and a wide range of cluster partners worldwide, creating opportunities for collaboration and knowledge transfer.
- ⦿ Through joint initiatives and EU projects, we help SMEs, universities, and research centres access funding, build partnerships, and scale their impact internationally.



**45+**  
Members  
across Europe



Diverse,  
Global Team  
Members &  
Partners



Connected to  
the main  
European and  
international  
networks

# Our Members 2025

**Member Logos:**

- France:** BIOVALLEY healthcare innovation, MEDVALLÉE MONTPELLIER, ATLANPOLE biotherapies, Polepharma, eurasanté, MEDICEN, GENOPOLE, Biotech Santé BRETAGNE, LYONBIOPOLE
- Spain:** BOM (Economic Development Agency)
- Netherlands:** biovia, oost.nl
- Germany:** MEDEON, STUNS life science, BUSINESS TURKU, STOCKHOLM SCIENCE CITY, Danish Life Science Cluster, Kluster LifeScience Kraków, MedSilesia
- Italy:** PRAGUE BIO, human technology, LISAvienna life science austria
- Austria:** LISAvienna life science austria
- Poland:** Kluster LifeScience Kraków, MedSilesia
- Other:** BioRegioSTERN, BioLAGO the health network, HealthCapital BERLIN BRANDENBURG, LIFE SCIENCE NORD, BioM, bioRN Life Science Cluster, BIO1PRO Baden-Württemberg GmbH, CLUST-ER HEALTH SALUTE E INNOVAZIONE, EUROBIOMED, bioscience, TLS FARMACIA LIFE SCIENCES, bioPmed, Bio4Dreams, Cluster lombardo scienze della vita, IMAGO-MOL Ospedale Maggiore Università del Piemonte Orientale di Alessandria, ROHEALTH The Health and Bioeconomy Cluster, HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES CLUSTER
- Bottom:** bioga, BASQUE HEALTHCLUSTER, biocat, biocant, tramb cluster biotecnológico y innovador de las Illes Balears, HBo

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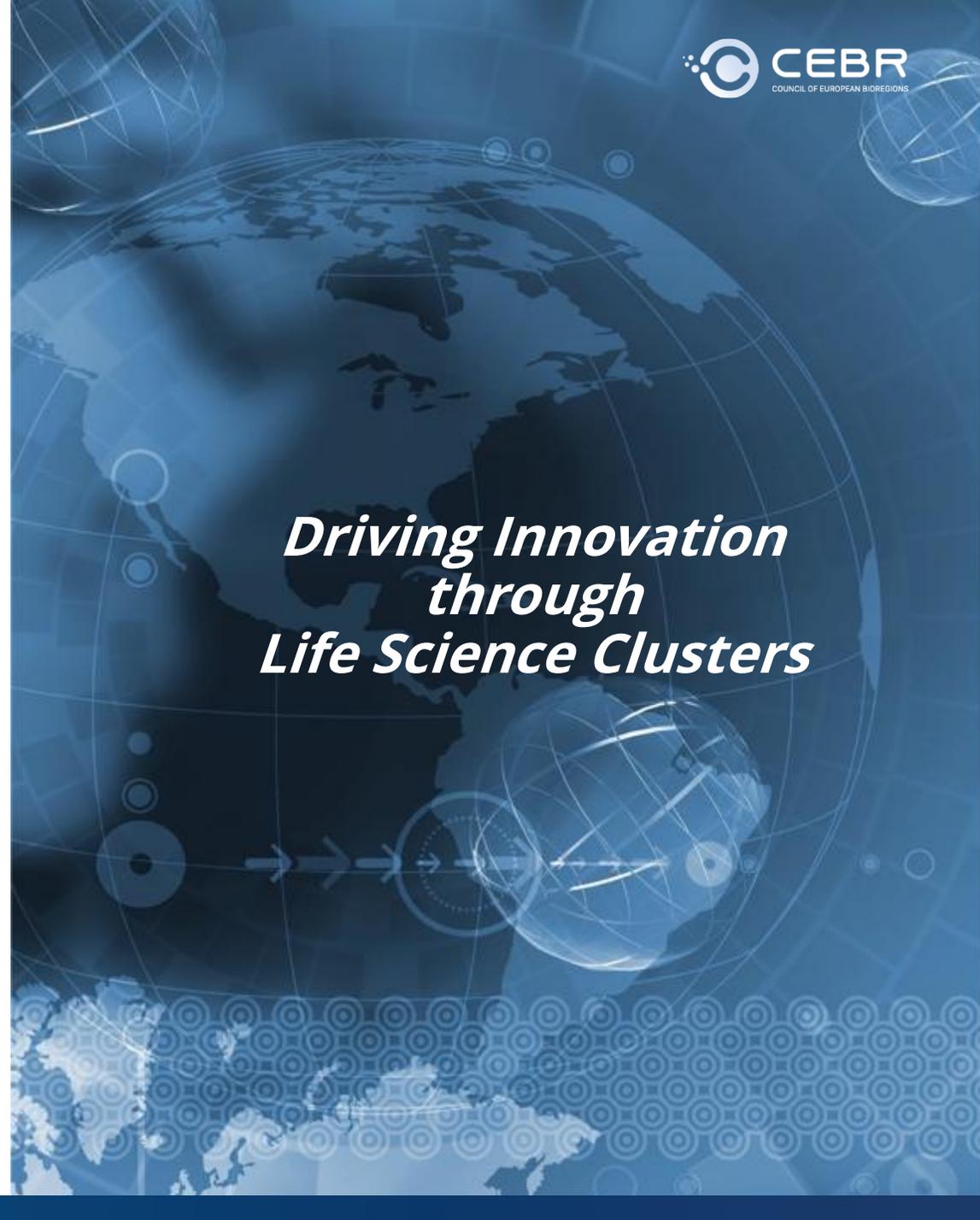
# Mission & Vision

## OUR MISSION

CEBR strengthens Europe's Life Science ecosystems by connecting clusters, enabling collaboration, and driving high-impact public-private and international initiatives. We empower our members to share knowledge, access opportunities, support SMEs, and accelerate innovation that contributes to sustainable economic and societal growth.

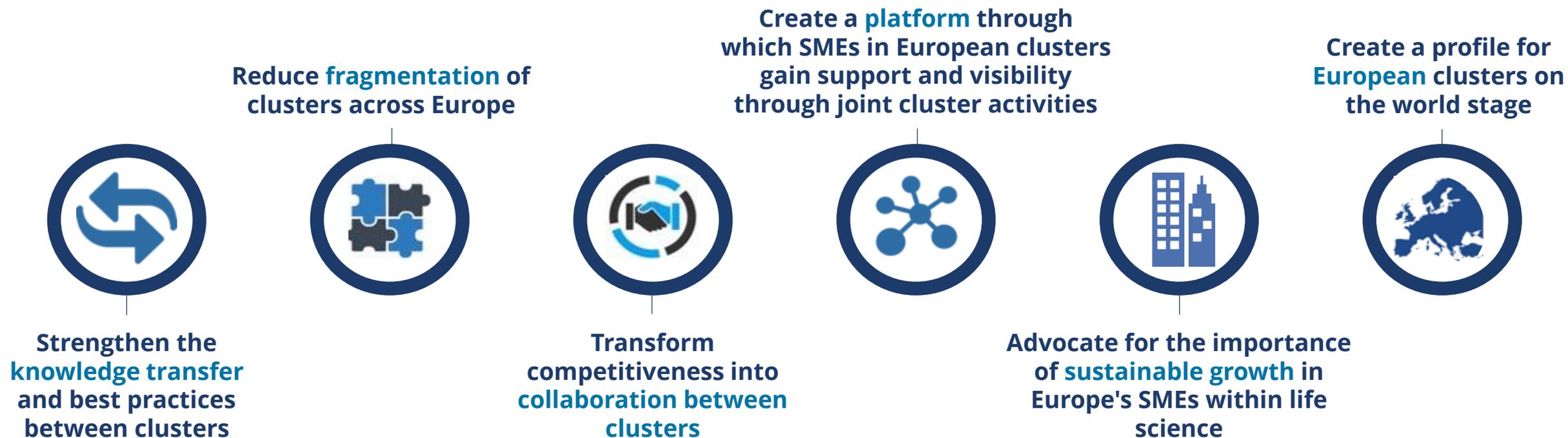
## OUR VISION

Create a dynamic and interconnected European Life Science community where clusters act as catalysts for innovation, competitiveness, and sustainable development, creating a stronger Europe and a healthier future for all.

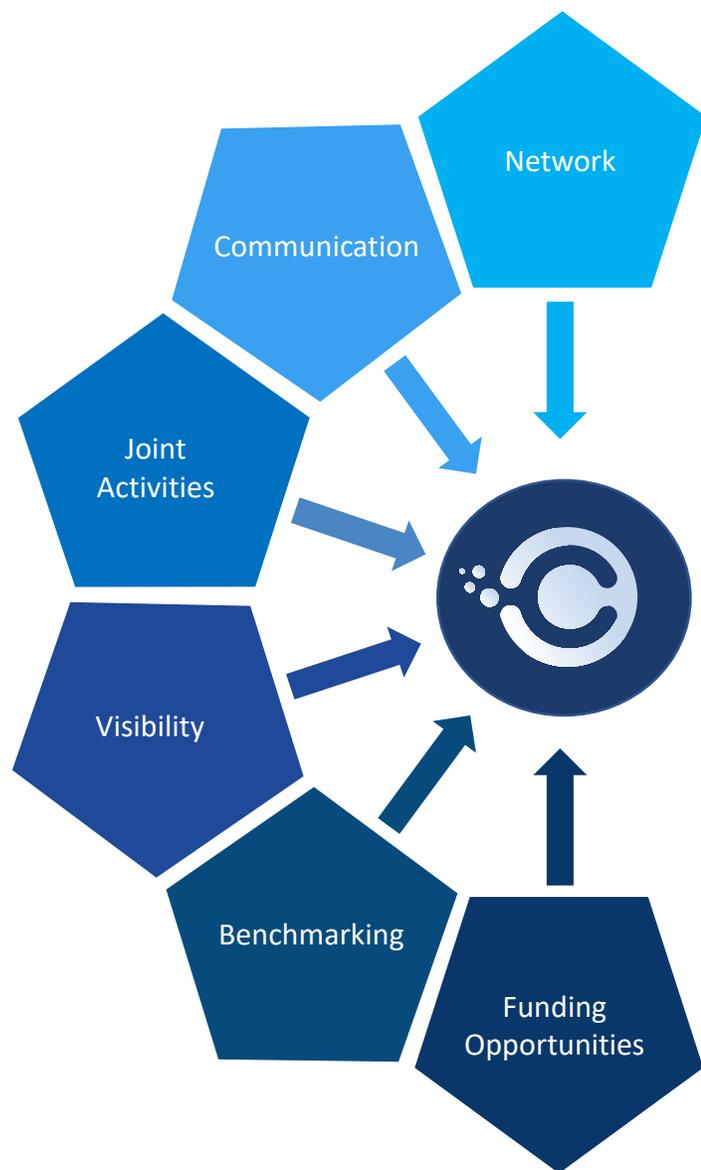


*Driving Innovation  
through  
Life Science Clusters*

# Our Goals



# Our Services



- Access to an excellent network of peers
- Exclusive members' activities
- Access to funding/ Large EU projects
- Benchmarking tool
- Internationalisation activities
- Special Interest Groups
- Collaboration opportunities
- Side events at relevant partnering conferences
- CEBR Annual Meeting
- Dissemination of Member's Activities

# European Projects



## BRIGHTskills

**BRIGHTskills** is a European initiative designed to tackle training and skills gaps in the health industry through a coordinated, multi-stakeholder and cross-border approach.

It delivers continuous, forward-looking analysis of emerging workforce needs and develops innovative training programmes aligned with industry standards. As leader of the Needs Assessment and Skills Intelligence WP, CEBR provides its members with strategic insights to guide talent development and contribute to a stronger European health industry skills ecosystem.

Through **BRIGHTskills**, CEBR provides its members with valuable intelligence on the future of skills in the health industry. This includes a comprehensive sector and skills landscape analysis, a curated overview of existing training resources and OERs to support strategic training decisions, and foresight insights from the Health Industry Future Skills Observatory, highlighting emerging technologies, new job profiles, and evolving skills needs using AI-enabled tools.



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## breath

**BREATH** is a European project that strengthens talent management in health research across Catalonia, Flanders, and Lithuania, making research careers more attractive while fostering international mobility and collaboration.

As a partner, CEBR leverages its extensive network of life science clusters to co-create the European Talent Ecosystem and support the project's communication and dissemination activities, ensuring that results reach key stakeholders and generate long-term impact.

Through **BREATH**, CEBR members gain direct access to new tools, governance models, best practices, and collaboration opportunities, helping clusters and their stakeholders better understand and respond to the evolving needs of Europe's health innovation talent landscape.

The project will co-design skills frameworks, develop a Career Guidance Platform, and pilot mentoring schemes to enhance Europe's ability to attract, develop, and retain top health innovation talent.



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# Valorisation Strategy

The aim of the EU's Research & Innovation (R&I) Valorisation Strategy is to turn research results into real-world economic, social and environmental impact.

Clusters support, facilitate and catalyze this by:

## 1. Concentrating Expertise → Faster Knowledge Transfer

Clusters create a networking environment, which makes it easier to transfer discoveries from the lab to the market. It directly supports the EU goal of improving knowledge circulation and uptake of R&I results.

*\*5-helix networks*

## 2. Stronger Innovation Ecosystems

Clusters build connected, resilient innovation ecosystems and help stakeholders and regions implement smart specialization strategies (S3).

*\*Many clusters participate in 13 projects focusing on ecosystems and providing direct financial support to innovators i.e. PRECISEU, InnoMedCatalyst etc.*

## 3. Faster Commercialization & Scaling

Clusters often provide startup incubators & accelerators, access to risk capital and support for regulatory navigation hence, improving commercial uptake of research results and growing deep-tech companies.

*\*cross-regional mobility of innovation and soft-launching opportunities*

# Valorisation Strategy

## 4. Stronger Industry–Academia Collaboration

In biotech, collaboration is essential. Clusters make joint research projects, licensing agreements and Public–private partnerships easier to manage, thus supporting valorization pathways such as collaborative research, open innovation, and industry-led testbeds.

*\*Clusters support TTOs and conduct innovation scouting for big corporate pharma i.e. HBIO and AbbVie in Greece, Cluster ER and Chiesi in Italy.*

## 5. Improved Access to Talent & Skills

Biotech clusters help address the EU's skill gaps by building workforce training programs, connecting talent with companies and offering entrepreneurial education.

*\*CEBR is part of the Pact for Skills initiative and is involved in projects preparing the next set of skills for healthcare workers (BRIGHTSkills & BREATH)*

## 6. Attracting Investment & International Partnerships

Clusters tend to attract venture capital, international partnerships, foreign direct investments and large corporate R&D centers therefore, boosting the EU's strategic autonomy and aligning with policies like the New European Innovation Agenda.

*\*Genopole has attracted South Korean ATMP company joining them and develop new therapies in France.*

## 7. Supporting Policymaking

Clusters participate in policy piloting and regulatory sandboxes for example, thus shaping evidence-based innovation policy across Europe and the member states.

*\*CEBR is in an open-dialogue with the EC with inputs on for the next framework.*



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