



About Poly4EmI - Polymers for Emerging Industries

The Poly4EmI is designed to address the challenges of Slovenian innovation policy through the development of a new policy model for a systemic approach to stimulate the transformation of the industrial structure by exploring the potential of cross-cutting technologies.

The aim of the project is to develop a joint platform of regional clusters to promote entrepreneurship and the application of new business solutions. The transformative power of biopolymer materials and technologies is put in focus since it has proved to have potential of being at the forefront of managing structural change from a polymer to a biopolymer based industry and can thus strongly contribute to the development of a bio-based industry in Europe.

Poly4EmI is one of 6 projects awarded funding by the European Commission (DG Enterprise and Industry) within the Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP) call "Clusters and Entrepreneurship in support of Emerging Industries". The main distinction between Poly4EmI and other selected projects is in the platform that the project will establish and which other projects can engage in. As such, the project can serve as a playground for stakeholders of other selected projects in initiating the transfer from chemicals to green chemicals and from using polymer to biopolymer materials.

Poly4EmI project has five partners from Slovenia and Austria and is coordinated by the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia. Other partners include:

- ✓ Automotive Cluster of Slovenia (ACS);
- ✓ Center of Excellence PoliMaT (CE PoliMaT);
- ✓ Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia (CCIS) nad
- ✓ Polymer Competence Center Leoben.