

# NCP Academy Webinar on Innovation Hubs and Test Beds

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Organiser: NCP Academy

**Event Categories:** Training

**Concept & Aim** For the EC, bringing technologies within the reach of companies and users will allow European industry and SMEs to develop leadership across the whole value chain with significant impact on jobs creation and growth.One of the most important pillars of the Digitise European Industry effort launched in 2016 is the activity to develop a network of Digital Innovation Hubs (DIH). Digital Innovation Hubs are one-stop-shops that help companies to become more competitive with regard to their business/production processes, products or services using digital technologies. This strategy to foster networking between ecosystems has also be instanciated or has equivalents in other DGs, i.e. RTD and Grow. Within its WP 2018-2020, the DG-RTD launchs calls about Open Innovation Test Beds hat will relate to nanotechnology and advanced materials. For DG-Grow, its action plan published in 2015 stated that SMEs need a pan-european access to KETs Technology Infrastructure Services and an inventory was proposed.

The aim of this webinar is to present the different initiatives and actions related to the identification of development of Innovation Hubs (or equivalent) across Europe and highlight to the NCP community which key messages they should be spreading in their communities.

## Key content covered:

- Hub: the common thread
- Presentation of the context with 'Digitising European Industry' actions
- Presentation of the new action on Open Innovation Test Beds
- Presentation of the initiatives about Hubs and their criteria

## Target Group: NCPs

**Trainer:** Didier Van Den Abeele, French Programme Committee representative and NCP for NMBP

Fee: No participation fee.

## **Organisers:**

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#### NMPTeam 4 Improving the services of the NMP NCP Network through Transnational Activities 4

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