

Cross-border Acceleration Bridge (CAB) program for startups

If you are an **early stage startup or innovator** with an **existing prototype**, you have a well-balanced team, you have a motivation to establish a legal entity in Italy or Slovenia or/and you have growth potential in two targeted countries?

Application deadline: 31.8.2018

Duration of the program: September 2018 to March 2019

Number of teams accepted: 10

Equity: We do not offer own funding to startups and take no equity

APPLY HERE BEFORE 31 AUGUST

Cross-border cooperation between Slovenia and Italy helps you to take advantage of the opportunities that exists in this geographical and cultural region of the EU. Our mission is to accelerate the growth of international startup companies in two countries in parallel. Our program is initially focused on digital, industry 4.0, machine learning, ICT, AI, Blockchain, but we also accept startups of other branches. Two CAB project pilots will be supported from public sources to offer you promotion, access to the ecosystem partners, CAB points services and connection to market partners.

WHO WE ARE?

ITA-SLO partnership of universities, businnes incubator and accelerator and perspective companies in cooperation with top corporations for the most effective networking. CAB CALL FOR STARTUPS is promoted within the Crossborder Acceleration Bridge - CAB project, financed by the Interreg Italy-Slovenia Program 2014-2020 with the aim to support innovative and growing startups leveraging on the unique characteristics of the ITALY-SLOVENIA Program area. The standard project is co-funded by the European Regional Development Fund.

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WHO ARE WE SEARCHING FOR?

Innovative startups with ambition to accelerate their business leveraging on leading innovation and cross-border market players.

WHY SHOULD YOU APPLY?

We accelerate the growth of international startup companies in two countries in parallel and we offer you promotion, ecosystem partners, CAB points services, connection to market partners. We offer you a blended program with on site and online participation for the most optimal time consumption. You will get a vast access to networks through mentors and also our project partners. Your team and your product will be widely known during the promotion of the project, ecosystem partners and connections to market partners.

WHAT DO WE OFFER?

- 6 months (3+3) of blended program of on site and on line participation
- for 10 startups with market growth in both Slovenia and Italy
- advanced mentoring and coaching on early internationalization
- access to a unique network of intermediary organizations, corporates and research institutions
- access to private capital and strategic business partnership thanks to the involvement of investors and corporates Italy and Slovenia
- access to public financing options

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM LOOK LIKE?

- Support from our team of mentors
- 3 months acceleration program in Slovenia and 3 months online (webinars and 1 on 1 sessions)
- CAB bootcamp with Demo Day in Venice, Italy

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Focused, but not exclusive areas of interests:

AI, Machine learning and IoT, big data, Blockchain ICT, Smart Factory (Industry 4.0)



















