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Dear reader,

We are wrapping up the CHERRIES project that over the last three years supported healthcare and demand-driven innovation partnerships in several European regions.

### **Explore. Shape. Connect.**

During the first year (2020) CHERRIES partners **explored and mapped the healthcare ecosystems in Murcia, Örebro and Cyprus** to come up with regional calls for needs and then calls for solutions to meet challenges and needs in the healthcare sector through RRI and demand-driven innovation approaches.

The second year (2021) was dedicated to the **co-creation of innovative healthcare solutions**: three regional co-creation teams were established ensuring different perspectives were embedded in the innovation processes. The regional experiments started **shaping more inclusive, resilient, impact oriented healthcare innovation ecosystems**.

The third year (2022) focussed on the strengthening of regional and European innovation ecosystems by **connecting relevant stakeholders within and beyond the three Pilot Regions**. The CHERRIES community grew

CHERRIES partners and other stakeholders, **the community reflected on the learnings from the regional pilots and discussed how to further enhance and evolve the CHERRIES model.**

The result of this incredible journey into responsible (healthcare) innovation ecosystems is the so-called **"new CHERRIES Model"**.

Thank you for having followed us over the last three years.

Enjoy reading  
CHERRIES Team



## The new CHERRIES Model

Check out our latest publication presenting and discussing the original CHERRIES model and the experience from its adoption in the three Pilot Regions. Based on this diagnostic, partners introduce considerations from Sustainability Transition Studies in the context of healthcare and present **the "new CHERRIES Model"**.

In Sustainability Transitions, transitions are non-linear, long-term and fundamental change processes towards sustainability that alter the way society is organised, operates and values services and amenities. Transition Studies provide three core elements that are useful for a future CHERRIES model: strategic transition management, transition arenas, and niche management.

shared objectives as a basis for developing shared visions and understandings of the general development trajectories of healthcare services in a given context.

Then, based on the learning of the experimentation that focussed on 1. Need Identification, 2. Solution Selection and 3. Co-creation of the Solution, **a fourth step is introduced in the new CHERRIES model: the Limited Demonstrator of Solution.** The idea behind the fourth step is to create a bridge between the development of the prototype in step three (co-creation of solution) and an implementation process via (public) procurement of the Solution.

The publication also includes the **factsheets on the three regional pilots held in Cyprus, Murcia and Örebro.** Discover how the CHERRIES methodology was applied in the three contexts, and the key learnings from each ecosystem.

[Download the publication here.](#)

## CHERRIES HIGHLIGHTS

**[CHERRIES TOOLBOX:](#)** The Toolbox is conceived as an organised set of relevant resources useful for understanding and framing responsible innovation in health and for triggering a reflection on possible RRI Institutional pathways of change aimed at including innovative participatory approaches and RRI principles within the organisations engaged in the R&I healthcare system in the European regions. The Toolbox proposes methodologies, techniques, and tools related to RRI which can be used by different kinds of stakeholders (academia, SMEs and industries, civil society organisations, public administrations, etc.).

**[CHERRIES PROJECT: THE APPROACH & THE REGIONAL PILOTS](#)** (video)

**[CHERRIES PROJECT: LEARNINGS & THE WAY FORWARD](#)** (video)

**[CHERRIES TRAINING MODULES:](#)** Three training modules you don't want to miss if you are interested in replicating the original CHERRIES approach in your region!

**[CHERRIES MIRROR REGIONS:](#)** Discover how other European territories have been adapting and implementing the CHERRIES approach to their own context. North East Romania, Centro in Portugal, Burgos in Spain, and the West of Ireland: these are the four CHERRIES Mirror Regions.

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