

List of Proponents for grants Category 2: **International Working Groups on Business Incubation and Women, Youth and High Growth ICT Enterprise Development**

This grant category will support the establishment of international working groups or virtual think-tanks in each of these themes.

Grants will be awarded to:

- (a) **Kyrgyz Republic - Congress of Women of the Kyrgyz Republic (CWKR)**, as lead for the international working group on business incubation targeting women entrepreneurs.

The working group is comprised of 23 business incubators from the following countries:

Angola – Business Incubator Initiative;

Bulgaria – Business Incubator Gotse Delchev; – Applied Research and Communication Fund;

China – Tianjin Women’s Business Incubator;

Georgia – Georgian Association of Women in Business;

India – Change Initiative;

Kazakhstan – Republic Council of Women;

Kenya – Kenya Kountry Business Incubator (KeKoBi);

Kyrgyzstan – Congress of Women of the Kyrgyz Republic; – Business Incubator of Congress of Women of the Kyrgyz Republic; – BI “DosBI”; – The Union of Business-incubators & Innovation Centers of Kyrgyz Rep.; – “Ak Dobo” Talas city; – Found “Dialog”;

Malaysia – Kulim Hi-Tech Park;

Mozambique – Mozambique Information and communication Technology Institute;

Nigeria – Fantsuam Foundation;

Romania – Innovation and Business Development Centre;

Senegal – NCNW/WBC/CIDEF Managing Director;

South Africa–Innovation Hub;

Tajikistan – Business NGO “Women and Society”;

Tunisia – Elgazala Park of Communication Technologies;

Uzbekistan – Businesswomen Association of Uzbekistan.

The working group on women business incubation will clearly outline the challenges and opportunities for women business incubation, and present lessons learned, tools, good practices and models for effective women focused business incubation.

- (b) **Romania - The Development Center for Small and Medium Sized Enterprises MARAMURES (CDIMM Maramures)** as lead for the international working group on business incubation targeting youth entrepreneurs.

The working group is comprised of 15 organizations, as listed below;

Armenia – Business Development & Support Cente; – Enterprise Incubator Foundation;

Bolivia – Quipus Foundation;

Bosnia and Hercegovina – Stichting Academic Training Association Sarajevo;

Bulgaria – Applied Research and Communications Fund;

Kyrgyz Rep. – Business Incubator DosBI; – Unionof BIICS of the Kyrgyz Republic;

Macedonia, Rep. of – YES Incubator; – Faculty of Techni-cal science Business Start-up Centre Bitola;

Malaysia – Kulim Hi-Tech Park;

Palestine – Sharek Youth Forum;

Romania – Technology and Business Incubator Centre (CIDAf); – Software Incubation Centre;

Serbia – BIC NIS;

Ukraine – Technology Business Incubator “Kharkov Technologies”.

The working group on youth focused business incubation will clearly outline the challenges and opportunities for youth focused business incubation, and present lessons learned, tools, good practices and models for effective youth focused business incubation.

- (c) **Chile** - Universidad Adolfo Ibañez (**Octantis Business Accelerator**) as lead for the international working group on High Growth ICT Businesses.

The working group is comprised of 11 participating organization, listed below:

Armenia – Enterprise Incubator Foundation;

South Africa – Maxum Business Incubator at The Innovation Hub;

Romania – Mechanical Research Engineering-Technology and Business Incubator Centre (ICTM-CITAf);

Brazil – Instituto Gênesis da PUC-Rio; – FUMSOFT - Sociedade Mineira de Software

Philippines – Ayala Foundation;

Mexico – University of Guadalajara;

Uruguay – LATU;

New Zealand – New Zealand Trade and Enterprise;

Colombia – Crea-me Business Incubator;

Palestine – Palestine Information & Communications Technology Incubator (PICTI);

The working group on high-growth ICT enterprise business incubation will serve as a forum for exchange of innovative ideas, lessons and good practices on either business incubators as financial service *providers*, and/or as *intermediaries* creating innovative partnerships with angel investor networks, SME funds, etc.