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Overview/Abstract

Framework document for project networking activities. It outlines the connections and initiatives where the project partners are involved to maximize the project results.

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During this first year, BRIGHTER consortium has performed several networking activities that have to contribute to maximizing the project outcomes.


However, regarding the exceptional situation that originated from the COVID-19 outbreak has affected our normal work and networking activities within the project.

The mandatory COVID-19-derived confinement and the subsequent ‘new normality’ has perturbed our collaboration, exchange, and networking activities. Consequently, our networking goals have suffered, despite the efforts of these previous months to continue undertaking telematic tasks.

Below, you will find an outline from all the consortium connections that are being used for the sake and proper development of BRIGHTER’s project. These are the followings:

1. Network Membership

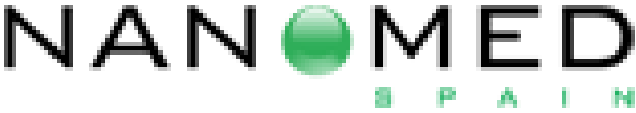
BRIGHTER’s partners pertain to the following networks, associations, or platforms:

Name	EIT-Health 
Field	Health Technologies
Link	https://eithealth.eu/
Partner involved	IBEC, as core partner


Summary	A consortium of more than 50 core partners and 90 associate partners from leading businesses, research centres and universities from across 14 EU countries in the three areas of the innovation triangle: research, education and business creation. IBEC is a member of the Association.
Future steps	Future innovation calls have been envisaged for further development of BRIGHTER's outcomes.

Name	<p>European Technological Platform in Nanomedicine (ETPN)</p> 
Field	Nanomedicine
Link	https://etp-nanomedicine.eu/
Partner involved	IBEC, as a voting member
Summary	The ETP Nanomedicine (ETPN) is an initiative led by industry since 2005 and set up together with the European Commission, to address the application of nanotechnology in healthcare. The ETPN believes that involving industry will accelerate the development of promising ideas, and provide effective and safe healthcare products that patients


	<p>demand. The strategic research priorities of the ETP Nanomedicine represent the core fields of interest and activities of the members of the technology platform: Regenerative Medicine and Biomaterials, Nanotherapeutics (including drug delivery), Medical devices including Nanodiagnostics and Imaging.</p>
Future steps	<p>BRIGHTER consortium is in close contact with the ETPN working groups, especially the Regenerative Medicine interested in 3D printing, bioactive materials and smart nanostructured and functionalised surfaces</p>

Name	<p>Spanish Nanomedicine Platform (NanoMed Spain)</p> 
Field	Nanomedicine
Link	https://nanomedspain.net/
Partner involved	IBEC, manages this initiative
Summary	<p>The Spanish Nanomedicine Platform (NanoMed Spain) is a forum that brings together public research centres, hospitals, companies and government representatives to unite public and private interests in the development of common strategies. NanoMed Spain represents the</p>

	interests of its stakeholders in the burgeoning and multidisciplinary area of nanomedicine and is supported by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness (MINECO), through the Spanish Programme for R+D+I oriented to Societal Challenges.
Future steps	BRIGHTER consortium has discussed the project application and potential collaboration with the industrial partners of the platform.

Name	Innovation Network in Medical and Health Technologies (ITEMAS) 
Field	Medical Technologies
Link	https://www.itemas.org/en/
Partner involved	IBEC, as partner
Summary	Innovation Network in Medical and Health Technologies (ITEMAS), an innovation network for medical and health technologies. ITEMAS, promoted by the <i>Instituto de Salud Carlos III</i> (ISCIII), brings 95 companies and organizations together with 66 medical centres in Spain to collaborate on R+D projects. The partners will also work together on outreach initiatives.

Future steps	BRIGHTER consortium has discussed the project application and potential collaboration with the clinical partners of the platform.
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Name	CataloniaBio & HealthTech 
Field	Medical Technologies
Link	https://www.cataloniabioht.org/?lang=en
Partner involved	IBEC, as partner
Summary	An alliance aimed at promoting and contributing to the competitiveness of the health technology sector in Catalonia. Brings together research organizations, companies, hospitals and other bodies to compete globally by promoting innovation and internationalization of partners and improving conditions within the sector.
Future steps	BRIGHTER consortium has discussed the project application and potential collaboration with the SMEs and industrial partners of the cluster.

2. Relevant people met within this period.

BRIGHTER's partners have met with the following events, workshop, conferences, trade fairs and exhibitions:

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Benefits for BRIGHTER	Application understanding, possible collaboration

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Benefits for BRIGHTER	Application understanding, possible collaboration
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As said above, COVID-19 pandemic has diminished our networking activities within the project, however, we are working to catch-up, not only in the experimental part but also in the networking and collaboration with external contacts to try and push further, in terms of technological maturity and possible application, the proof of concept obtained at the end of the project.