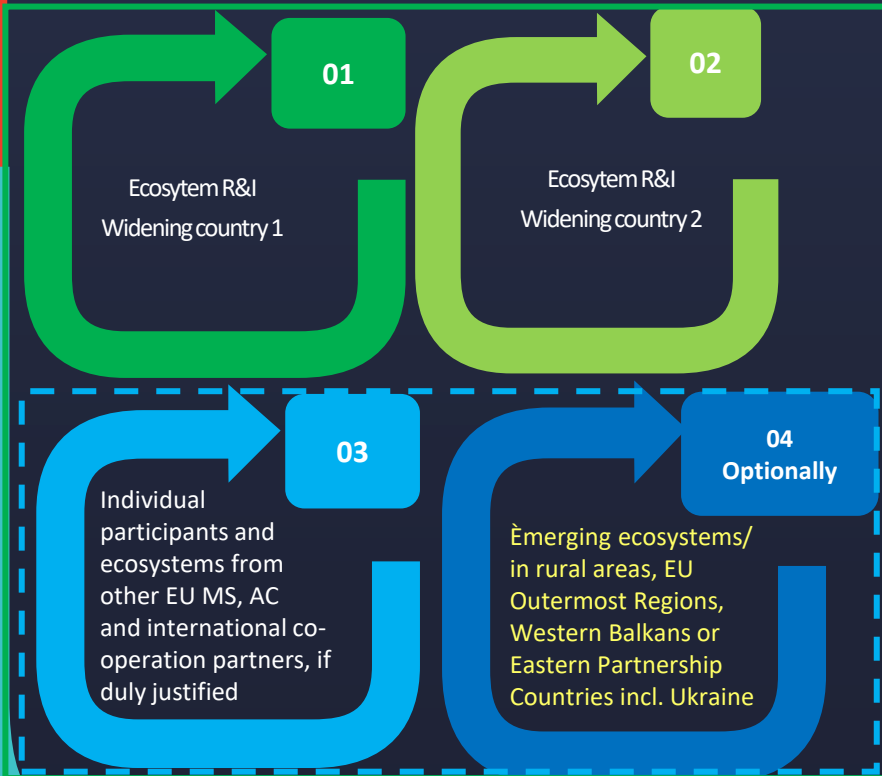


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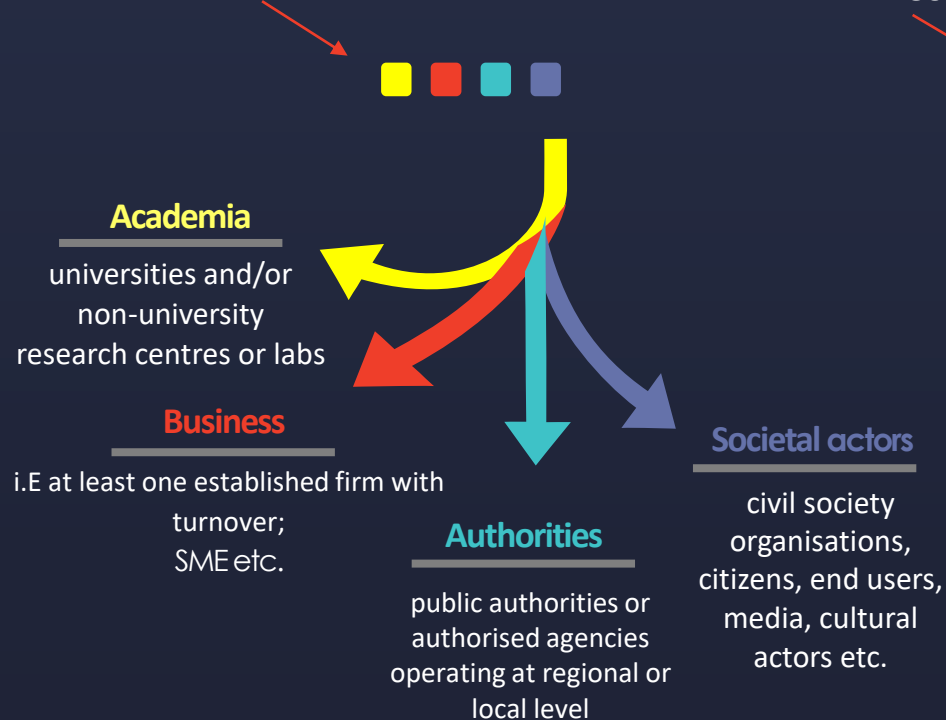
- ⊕ Innovation ecosystems in Widening countries and beyond, to team up and create better linkages between academia, business, government and society
- ⊕ At least two fully-fledged R&I ecosystems from two different widening countries
- ⊕ Coordinator from widening country
- ⊕ At least 70% of the financial resources of the project are allocated to widening countries

Excellence Hub



Outcome 1 - Excellent and sustainable place-based R&I ecosystems in Widening countries and beyond in relevant domains of **cutting-edge science and innovation**

Fully fledged R&I ecosystem



Core components of the project

cross-border joint R&I strategy aligned with regional smart specialisation strategies and/or European policy priorities such as the **green and digital transition**

Action and investment plans for the implementation of the strategy

R&I project consolidating academia business linkages

Conceptual design and pre-planning for pilots and demonstrators (if applicable)

Accompanying measures

Optional: Mentoring of an emerging place-based innovation ecosystem