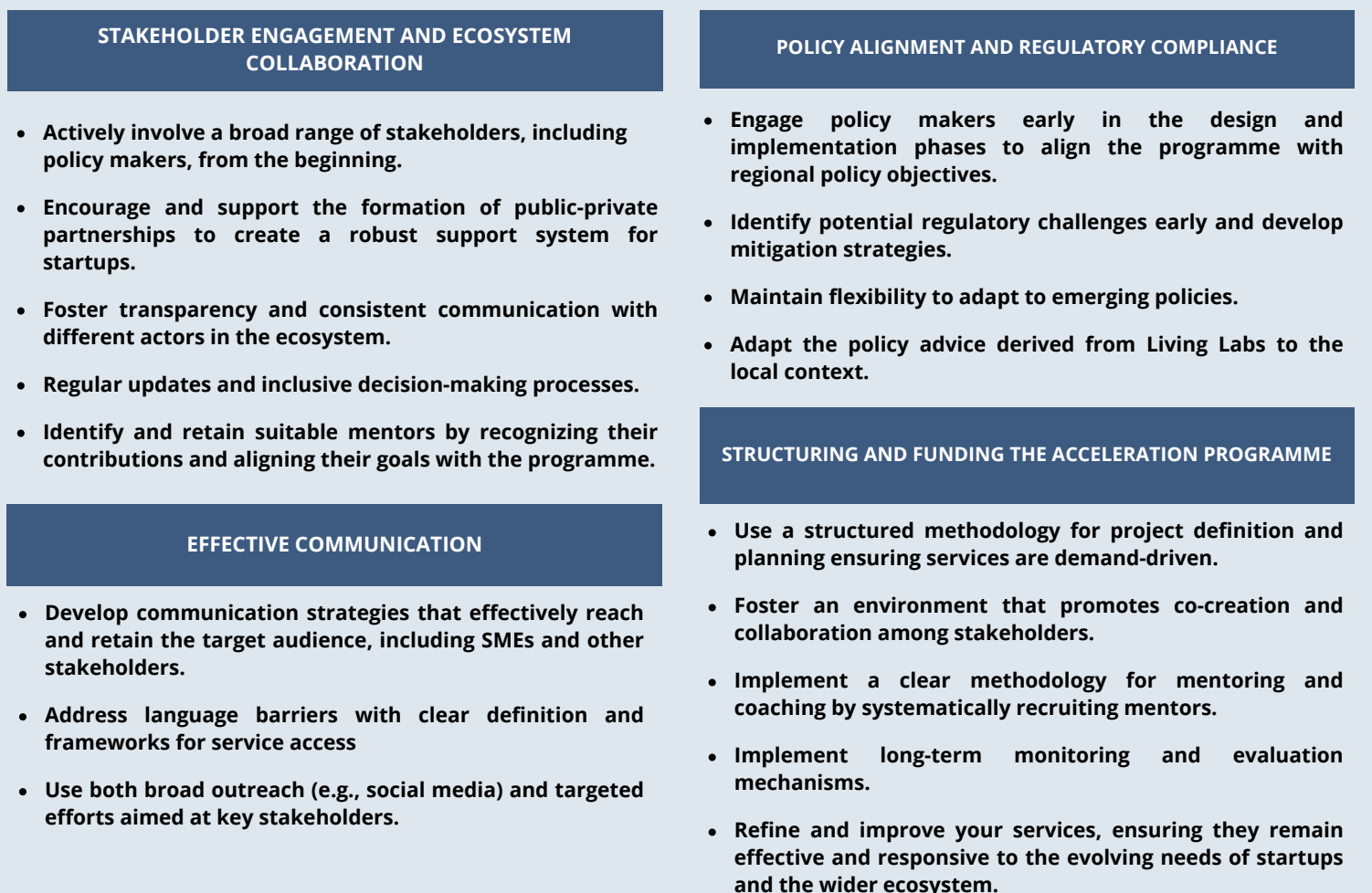


RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BUSINESS ACCELERATION PROVIDERS

CHALLENGES



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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POLICY-MAKERS INVOLVED IN ACCELERATION AND BUSINESS GROWTH

ECOSYSTEM COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Engage early in the design and implementation phases to align initiatives with regional policies.
- Promote transparency and consistent communication with acceleration and scaling up stakeholders to build trust and engagement.
- Identify appropriate forums to interact with actors for policy development in a collaborative manner.
- Inform about regulatory challenges early in the process and contribute to proactive mitigation strategies.
- Align business acceleration and growth strategy with the needs of SMEs .
- Explore public-private partnership models to combine resources and expertise from both sectors.
- Engage clusters as intermediaries and knowledgeable of the businesses needs.
- Promote living Lab activities within quadruple-helix ecosystem.

INTEGRATION AND LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY

- Ensure that acceleration programmes are integrated into a broader territorial strategy and maintain a holistic approach.
- Centralize the support by establishing a one-stop-shop public service to streamline access to acceleration and scaling resources.
- Enhance the coordination between regional, national, and European policy levels to ensure cohesive strategies and resource allocation.
- Analyse and use acceleration programmes evaluation and insights to refine the regulatory framework.
- Ensure a flexible regulatory environment that can adapt to emerging needs.
- Consolidate public-private partnership models for startups support through sustainability plans and resources.
- Provide flexible and long-term funding schemes to ensure the sustainability of acceleration programmes and support to startups and SMEs in the different scaling stages
- Define impact indicators in collaboration with the acceleration stakeholders.
- Understand one's role in the ecosystem and value chain.

KNOWLEDGE SHARING AND COMMUNICATION

- Encourage knowledge sharing among policy makers from different territorial scales (local, regional, national and European) and different territories (cross- regional cooperation).
- Implement comprehensive communication strategies that clearly define the benefits and access frameworks to acceleration services.
- Enhance trust, openness, and cooperation with quadruple helix actors through successful Living Labs.