

Name of the Case

Innovations Labs Bochum of the Transfer Network s_inn

Abstract

The Innovation Labs Bochum belong to the Transfer Network and focus on the topics Disability and Diversity. They are dealing with challenges regarding inclusion of people with disabilities and people with refugee background. By providing support and transfer, the Labs want to ensure social cohesion. Both Labs work closely with the departments of social work, education, diaconia, curative education and healthcare of the Protestant University of applied sciences Bochum.

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Innovation Labs Bochum

Objectives

The Innovation Labs Bochum are part of a transfer network in North Rhine-Westphalia.

The transfer network aims at shaping knowledge transfer through new formats and instruments and wants to optimize transfer in both directions. The transfer network is a central catalyst of social innovation in North Rhine-Westphalia. It involves civil society actors in the development of new research issues and improves the visibility of third mission activities.

Clients, audience

The main topics of the Innovation Labs Bochum are diversity and disability. The Labs' clients are people with disability or refugee background or people who are working or investigating about people with disabilities or refugee background.

Position along the SI Spiral

Delivering and implementing: The initiatives delivers support and implements new projects.

Relationship with HEI(s) (High Education Institutions)

- Partnerships with the other four HEIs of the Transfer Network (Catholic Universities of applied Sciences Aachen, Cologne, Paderborn, Münster)
- S_inn Bochum belongs to the Protestant University of applied Sciences Bochum
- Relationship with TU Dortmund University (SIKE)

Finance model and resources

The project is funded for five years (2018-2022) by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).

Methodology

The Innovation Labs bring together HEIs and society by supporting an exchange directly. Sciences improve in both directions: from the university into the society and vice versa. Additionally new projects are developed and new ideas are tested by including HEIs, partners from social- and healthcare as well as partners from civil society.

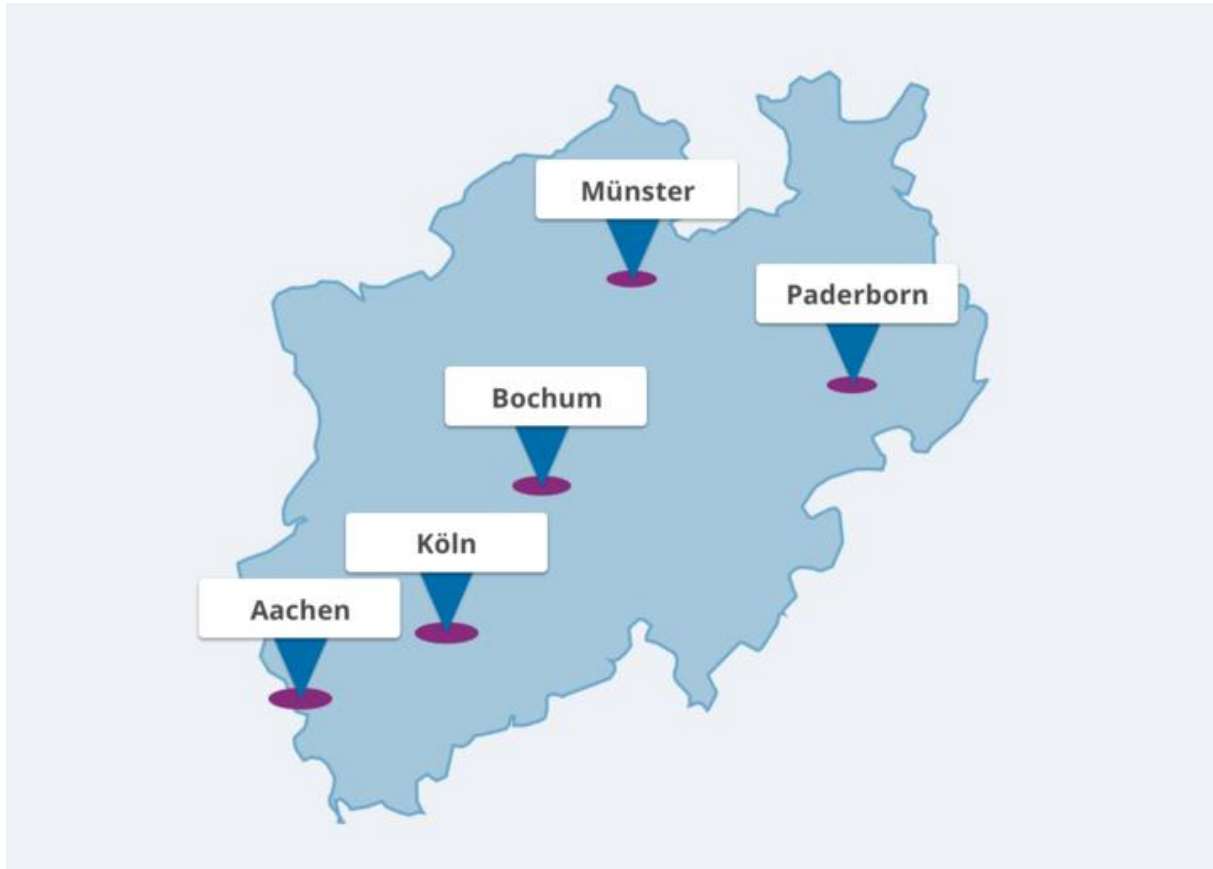
Products, results

Organisation of different events:

- Introducing the Innovation Lab to people interested to science and research, trying to sensitize people for new perspectives (e.g. people with refugee background or people with disabilities).
- Supporting people with disabilities and chronic diseases
- Leading discussions and workshops with different experts
- Investigation about alternative ways to bring together people in churches

Overall impact

Images



Locations of the Innovation Labs in North Rhine-Westphalia (<https://www.s-inn.net/innovations-labs>)

Other resources