EVPA COLAB award

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# COLAB award submission template

The objective of your submission is to help us (and others) truly understand your practices, the role collaboration played, the challenges you faced and deeper insights you gained in the process. Your submission will be the basis of what we would like to share as widely as possible. While we may approach you for clarifying questions and we will do some final editing, you will be responsible for ensuring that the quality of your submission is close to ready to be published. We would also appreciate if you can share with us any additional reports, evaluations or analysis you carried out as part of the specific practice and / or provide links to relevant published documents.

For now, your submission, including the additional reports, will be treated in a confidential manner and only be reviewed by the EVPA team and the CoLab Award advisory team. We will ask you to approve any final version before it will be published. We may also choose to shorten the submission depending on the format we choose for publishing the submissions.

For consistency, we ask applicants to kindly follow the template provided below. We expect your contribution to be between **2-5 pages in a standard word document**. If you have more questions regarding your submission please contact: Anja König, Lead, EVPA CoLab & System Change [akoenig@evpa.eu.com](mailto:akoenig@evpa.eu.com).

## Title

1. Please give your submission a title and subtitle that summarises 1) what your practice is about 2) the change you are looking for with this practice 3) how you are achieving the change.

## Background

1. Which **type of organisation** are you (tick all that apply)?
   * A Capital Provider (Investor): An investor deploying financial capital and other resources for impact **and** minimum financial return
   * A Capital Provider (grant maker): An engaged grant maker deploying financial capital and other resources for impact
   * An Intermediary: an advisory, capacity building organisation or research organisation supporting capital providers, impact delivery organisations and other stakeholders and/or enhancing knowledge in the impact economy.
   * A Market builder: a network and movement aimining at strengthening the impact economy ecosystem.
   * An Impact Delivery Organisation: An organisation that delivers real world impact to end beneficiaries (and needs to raise capital for this purpose).

Other, please specify:

1. Please briefly summarise your **mission**
2. Which of the **use cases** does your practice(s) apply to? Please tick all that apply!

* Social innovation in public services / with public authorities
* Place based funding
* Transforming value chains and industries
* Open social innovations
* Building impact (investing) ecosystems
* Public – private (blended) financing vehicles and mechanism

1. Which **system practice field(s)** does your practice apply to? Please select the most relevant (max three).

* Systems diagnostics
* Strategy design
* Management, learning & adaptation
* Collaboration
* System leadership & governance

1. Please give us a brief background 1) what motivated you to act and who initiated the practice(s), inside or outside your organisation, and (if applicable) 2) describe the event that triggered your engagement.

## The Practice(s)

1. Briefly **analyse the situation before you introduced the practice**. What contributed to maintaining the status quo and producing (undesirable) results, e.g. resources (or lack of resources), rules (informal and formal), roles (relevant actors from the public, private and social sector, their legitimacy or effectiveness) and/or the kind and quality of relationships (informal and formal cooperation, power dynamics, information flows).[[1]](#footnote-1)
2. Please describe the **actual results** you sought to achieve with your practice, **the parameters you sought to influence most**; roles, relationships, rules, and resources and how?
3. Please describe the **intended results** you sought to achieve with your practice and **the parameters you sought to influence most** – if considerably different from the actual results described above.
4. Please specifically explain the **role other actors and collaboration** **played** in this practice (if not the main practice itself) and insert a figure that illustrates the main stakeholders and partnerships that play a role in the practice you are presenting here.

## Your Insights

1. What went well and why? What were the challenges you faced and how did you overcome them? What would you do differently today and why?
2. Which three pieces of advice would you give to your peers?
3. Any other information you would like to share

## Further Resources

Please add links to additional information, reports etc.

## Contacts

Name, position, organisation and email of main author(s)

1. See more details on using the 5R framework (Results, Ressources, Rules, Roles, Relationships) for systems analysis for example here Ashoka [Online Guide on System Change, part 3](https://www.ashoka.org/en/story/animated-guide-changing-systems) ‘ based on USAIDs Programm Cycle.

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