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MultiRATE Consortium Advances Project Goals at 2nd Plenary Meeting

Vicomtech Hosts Plenary Meeting in Donostia-San Sebastián



Figure 1: Participants of the MultiRATE project's 2nd consortium plenary meeting, hosted by Vicomtech in Donostia-San Sebastián, Spain, on December 13-14, 2023.

During the 13th and 14th of December, 2023, Vicomtech hosted the MultiRATE project's 2nd consortium plenary meeting in Donostia-San Sebastián, Spain. The consortium reviewed the work progress and planned the next steps to meet the project goals. At this stage of the project, the consortium is planning the activities for the 2nd validation cycle of **MultiRATE's artefacts**, which comprise each **Readiness Level**

(RL) dimension (**Technology RL, Societal RL, Security RL, Legal, Privacy and Ethics RL, Integration RL, Commercialisation RL and Manufacturing RL**), the **Holistic RL** methodology that leverages them for holistic assessments, and the **Investment Forecasting Module** to better formulate the planning of forthcoming research programmes. Validation exercises will be systematically scheduled for each artefact with the members of the stakeholder network. Plans are set in motion to schedule evaluation sessions for the project during the following three months, ensuring systematic refinement of processes and outputs within the project's defined timeframe. More specifically, a series of internal and external 2-hour evaluation sessions will be conducted, focused on each artefact. Each artefact owner within MultiRATE will schedule the session, engaging one project.

On the other hand, an **internal workshop** was conducted in the context of MultiRATE's **certification mechanism**, reviewing how the [Miro Certification tool](#) works to gain initial insights into the functioning of the certification mechanism that lies ahead. The workshop primarily centred on the requirements imposed on the tool by the potential utilisation of the Holistic RL calculator as a certification means, the main challenges that must be addressed in constructing the certification mechanism, and contacts with certifying bodies that could be reached out to.

Finally, MultiRATE's stakeholder member [EACTDA](#), based in Donostia-San Sebastián, joined the meeting. They provided an overview of their company and the [Tools4LEAs](#) series of projects, highlighting EACTDA's licensing mechanism. Observations were made about potential synergies with MultiRATE, especially in RL assessment. A discussion followed on applying MultiRATE within EACTDA's Tools4LEAs.

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