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<b>Strong areas of expertise</b>	<p>Innotek is short for Innovation, Technology and knowledge center.          Innotek is an incubator with expertise in spin-offcreation from existing companies.          For the last 4 years Innotek has been the ESA-BIC Flanders.          The main expertise of Innotek is the coaching of innovative and technological start-ups.</p>		
<b>Services to be provided</b>			
<b>Mentoring</b>	<p>Innotek has 4 possible mentors and a network of external coaches with very specific competences in different sectors.          Mentors are Luc Peeters, Erik Degroof, Sofie Verhaegen and Toon Peeters.</p>		
<b>Space and infrastructure</b>	<p>Innotek has 2 incubators in the North of Belgium, nearby Antwerp. One is in Geel. The other one is in Mol. (www.technologiehuizen.be) The entrepreneur can use a fully equipped office with Wifi-connection. In both of our buildings there are meeting facilities. The small meeting rooms have a capacity of 6 to 8 persons. The bigger meeting rooms can host until 25 persons. We also have a presentation room where we can host 150 persons.          The entrepreneur receives a key and a badge on the day of his arrival. Both of our buildings can be used between 6.00 AM and 10.00 PM and this for 7 days a week.</p>		
<b>Networking with local entrepreneurs</b>	<p>Innotek can play an active role in networking with local entrepreneurs. Innotek has a broad experience in organizing thematic info-sessions followed by networking.          To get in contact with the habitants of our incubator we organize breakfast-sessions where the entrepreneur can present himself and his case to get in touch with interesting companies in our building.          Furthermore Innotek is an active participant in local network-events. If there are interesting events in the visiting period we will accompany the entrepreneur to those events.</p>		
<b>Networking with other local agents</b>	<p>Innotek has a broad network of clients, potential investors and training centers in the region. If there is a need, we can support the entrepreneur in getting in contact with these people.          Innotek also has a network of more than 50 coaches that have experience in the coaching of start-ups.          Innotek is very experienced in matchmaking between coaches and entrepreneurs. Depending on the need of the entrepreneur, we try to find the coach with the right competences to give the support needed by the entrepreneur.</p>		
<b>Integration Activities:</b>	<p>As mentioned above Innotek has a broad experience in organizing thematic info-sessions. To get in contact with the tenants in our incubator we organize breakfast-sessions where the entrepreneur can present himself and his case to get in touch with interesting companies in our building.          Furthermore Innotek is an active participant in local network-events.</p>		
<b>Is there any assistance in finding accommodation?</b>	<p>Yes. Innotek has 3 receptionists that can assist the entrepreneur in finding accommodation for the period of the visit. For this project Selma Ramic will be your contact.          - Selma Ramic, sr@innotek.be , +32 14 570 570</p>		
<b>Other additional services (if any)</b>			
<p>In the direct environment of our buildings there are 2 knowledge centers.          Vito (Flemish institute for Technological Research www.vito.be) / SCK (Belgian Nuclear Research Center)          Both institutes are a member of Innotek. The local Chamber of Commerce is also a member of our organisation.          We have a close contact with FIT (Flanders Investment and Trade) and BAN Vlaanderen (Business Angel Network Flanders). Innotek organizes the European Satellite Navigation Competition Flanders Challenge (2014, 2015 &amp; 2016)</p>			