	Specific research objective	Specific research objective (SO) wording	Research questions	Methodology	Academic / non- academic outputs	Lead partner (drafting methodology)
ORIGINS	SO 1	Identifying industrial champion towns in Slovenia and Hungary and their socioeconomic performance	1: How can we identify industrial champion towns and how do they perform according to socioeconomic indicators?	Statistical analysis of indicators	Storymap ¹	ZRC SAZU (SI)
	SO 2	Modelling their historical path development according to different national contexts	2: How did industrial champions develop and under which geographical, institutional, political and socio- economic circumstances?	comparative historical and institutional analysis	Regional dossier ² , scientific article	KRTK (HUN)
FEATURES	SO 3*	Evaluating the role of economic/institutional and the local/national/supranational agency in the success of industrial champion towns	3: What were the actions of economic and institutional agents in overcoming smallness and peripherality?	Innovation and entrepreneurship, human agency: interviews	Scientific article in a journal (econ. geography)	ZRC SAZU (SI)
	SO 4*	Understanding the impact, attitudes and actions of community members towards socioeconomic development	4: How do community members perceive the town's development and what opportunities/obstacles they face?	Survey (questionnaire) and focus groups with marginalised community members	Scientific article in a journal (human geo.)	KRTK (HUN)
FUTURES	SO 5*	Capturing (dis)agreements in local and regional development narratives	5: What are the future development visions and how are they negotiated?	Structured narrative analysis of texts and transcripts	Scientific article in a journal	ZRC SAZU (SI)
	SO 6	Establishing a research network in CEE Europe dedicated to the specifics of industrial champion town development	6: How can we augment and connect the research and policy fields on the topic of industrial champion towns?	Workshop and networks with stakeholders	Joint policy-academia workshop, mini-conference, book (monograph)	ZRC SAZU (SI) and KTRK (HUN)

¹ A webpage with illustrated path development stories from all industrial champion towns; for example: https://arcg.is/0DeDjr
² Open access data and maps published on the web page; for example: https://arcg.is/0DeDjr