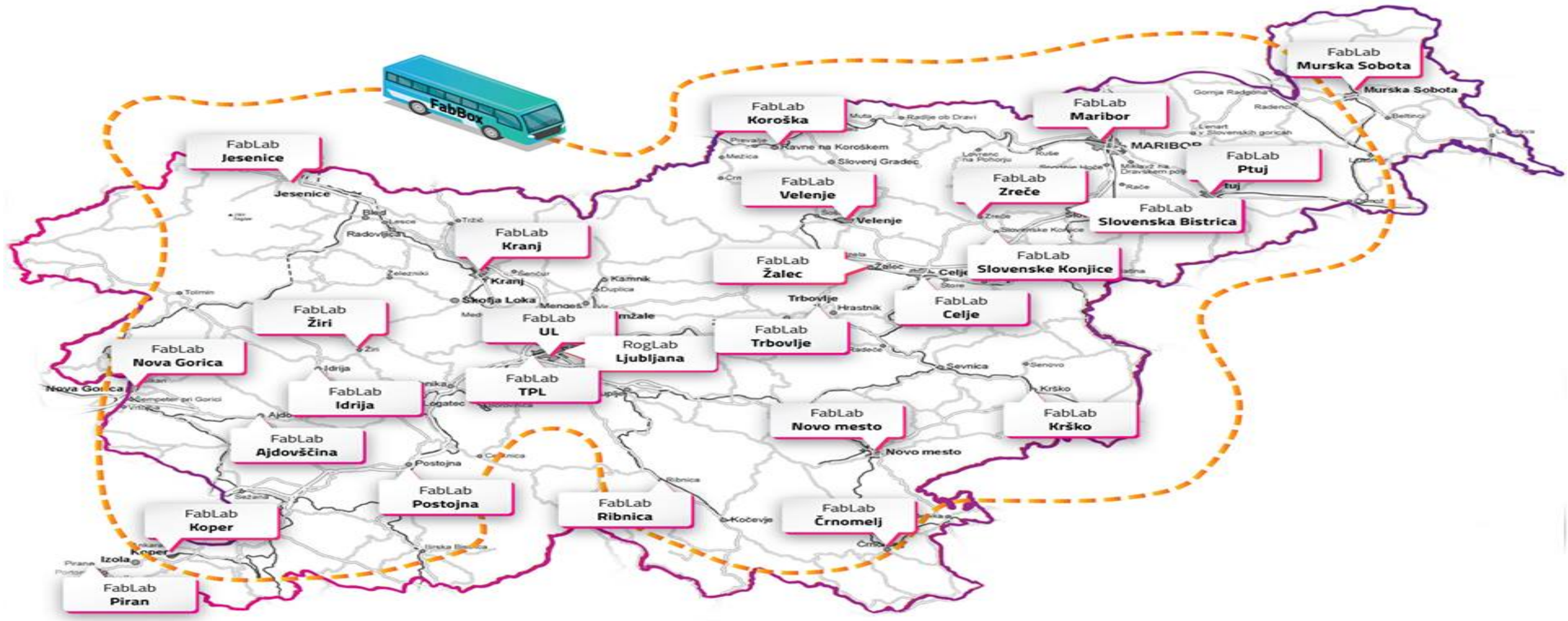


# Fablab Network Slovenia

Fablab Network Slovenia (FSN), aggregates stakeholders that act as providers, enablers, supporters or potential users of creative environments across Slovenia. Creative environments are any creative physical space with dedicated equipment and personnel, providing innovation, design, prototyping and other services. FSN acts as a hub, that provides sharing of the equipment or mentors.

## Actions and Objectives

The FNS has 73 partners, covering different fields of interest (policy makers, local communities, regional development agencies, universities and 8 creative hubs). During the set-up process, FNS partners followed steps to identify and clarify their own rationales, challenges, stakeholders, indicators related to their role in this field. FNS provides for the exchange of equipment, mentors, expertise and skills among members. It promotes innovative and creative environments in Slovenia, engages and influences policy makers, identifies alternative funding opportunities and common project applications and cooperates with similar networks.

## Expected Results

The results of the action has impacts related to different stakeholders including wide target group of citizens and businesses across the country: Young people have more chances of getting a quality and sustainable jobs in their environment. SMEs get better qualified and trained employees.

A key result will be that young people stay in the region, that women will be involved in creative hub activities and that we will successfully engage retired people, seniors and support active aging, through intergenerational cooperation. The network is and will help keep the rural regions in Slovenia alive and networked.

## Role of ERUDITE

Partner good pratice and the use of the ERUDITE SEROI+ approach was crucial in order to engage our main stakeholders and establish the services of the FNS in a way that faciltated rapid approval by key stakeholders: national policy makers; existing 'Labs and Hubs' municipalities across the country, business; academic and research institutions and formal educational institutions across Slovenia.

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