







GOAL 2.2
NEW SERVICES TO INCREASE
ADDED VALUE TO
BUSINESSES

## **TIMELINE**

January 2023 to June 2025

## **INVESTMENT**

EUR 782 thousand

**STAFF INVOLVED** 

4.8 FTEs1

**MOST IMPACTED CAPITAL<sup>2</sup>** 

Organisational

#### MOST IMPACTED STAKEHOLDER

Users

# ADR AWARENESS, CAPACITY BUILDING AND QUALITY

This project is part of the Expand and Broaden the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) programme tasked with implementing the initiatives foreseen under Focus Area 4 of the Boards of Appeal (BoA) Action Plan 2021-2026. The vision of the programme is to expand and broaden the use of ADR for IP disputes through the establishment of a Mediation Centre that offers accessible, added-value ADR services to users, supported by an optimal ADR ecosystem that ensures the highest standards of ADR service and mediator competencies, and that fully integrates the user and stakeholder perspective.

The objectives of this project are the implementation of targeted ADR awareness strategies, building mediation capacity through suitable learning paths and professional trainings for mediators, and the assurance of overall quality of the ADR services provided.

### **EXPECTED BENEFITS**

- Contribute to Office staff's professional growth
- Increase Office staff collaboration
- Awareness raising about ADR, promoting a mediation culture in the IP field
- Ensure for the users the provision of a unique, high-quality services that respond well to their preferences, making the most of mediators experienced in the field of IP
- Provide for readiness and scalability for future initiatives or opportunities arising in ADR, dispute prevention and resolution

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Full-time equivalent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As part of an integrated thinking approach, in 2016 the Office adopted a five capitals value creation model (human, organisational, relational, economic & environmental).