

Development of Ecosystem Building Model – Echar Pa'lante (EPL)

Location: Puerto Rico

Status of Country: Distressed

Project Timeframe: November 2017 – March 2019

Type of Assistance: Technical Assistance



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The EDAUC supported the development of the Echar Pa'lante ecosystem building model. Echar Pa'lante (EPL) is a non-profit spinoff from the largest bank in Puerto Rico, Banco Popular. Their role is to drive growth of the innovation ecosystem. Their membership includes over 150 members of a multi-sector alliance.

Georgia Tech provided input to the development of a Pre-K-12 education effort for experiential innovation and entrepreneurship education in over a 20 public schools in Puerto Rico. The education program was augmented with makerspaces established one school in every second tier city on the island.

