



WESTERN BALKANS RESEARCH AND INNOVATION MEETING

AGENDA

26-27 MARCH 2019
SARAJEVO

TUESDAY, 26 MARCH 2019

- 11:30 -13:00 *Networking Lunch & Registration (Four Seasons Penthouse Restaurant & Ministry of Civil Affairs, Sarajevo)*
- 13:00 -13:30 **Welcome remarks | Opening statements**
- Ministry of Civil Affairs, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - Romanian EU Council Presidency
 - Delegation of the European Union to BiH
 - European Commission, DG Research and Innovation
 - Regional Cooperation Council
 - European Commission, DG Joint Research Centre
- 13:30 -15:30 **Towards Steering Platform meeting 2019**
Recent R&I cooperation developments in/with the Western Balkans
- Follow-up Brussels, R&I Strategies, R&I budgets (update from the Western Balkan 6)
 - Debriefing from the Joint Science Conference, Rome, June 2018 (Bernhard Fabianek, DG Research and Innovation)
 - Technology Transfer Activities in the Western Balkans (Elena Andonova, DG Joint Research Centre)
 - “Digital Agenda For Western Balkans” initiative (Bernhard Fabianek for DG Communications Networks, Content and Technology)
 - Update on Western Balkans participation in COST (Katalin Alföldi, COST)
- 15:30 -16:00 **Coffee Break**
- 16:00 -17:15 **Towards Steering Platform meeting 2019 (continued)**
Upcoming | Next steps (continued)
- Multi-Annual Action Plan on Regional Economic Area: Progress and needs assessment report on R&D and Innovation related actions (Vanja Ivosevic, Regional Cooperation Council)
 - Progress towards Open Science (Mihajlo Savić, University of Banja Luka)
- Discussion | Summing up | Preparatory steps towards Steering Platform meeting / Ministerial Meeting (European Commission)
- 17:15 -18:00 **Conclusions and Summary of the preparatory tasks for the Steering Platform meeting / Ministerial Meeting**
- Measures (e.g. capacity building, finance, etc.) to be undertaken by Western Balkan 6 in view of integration into the European Research Area
 - Regional research and innovation flagship initiatives (Marijeta Barjaktarović Lanzardi, SEEIIST Contact Point for Montenegro)
- 20:00 **Networking Dinner (Restaurant Pod Lipom, Sarajevo)**

In cooperation with :



MINISTRY OF CIVIL AFFAIRS

WEDNESDAY, 27 MARCH 2019

09:00 -11:00 Smart Specialisation in the context of R&I capacity building

- Upcoming steps in Smart Specialisation in the Western Balkans (Ales Gnamus, DG Joint Research Centre)
- Support for Smart Specialisation in the Western Balkans and preparatory studies (International Service Facility)
- Update on Smart Specialisation (Western Balkans 6)

Discussion

11:00 -11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 -13:00 Integration of the Western Balkans in the EU

- Technology transfer in Croatia and lessons learned for the Western Balkans: Experience of the University of Rijeka (Petra Karanikić, University of Rijeka)
- Participation of Western Balkans 6 in Horizon 2020 (Bernhard Fabianek, DG Research and Innovation)
- Outlook on Horizon Europe (Kostas Glinos, DG Research and Innovation)
- Needs for technical assistance and capacity development (Western Balkans 6)

Discussion

13:00 -14:00 Conclusions on the further integration of the Western Balkans in the EU

14:00 - 16:30 B2B meetings

Meeting venue & Networking Dinner

Meeting Venue

Ministry of Civil Affairs
St.Trg Bosne i Hercegovine 1,
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Lunch on March 26, 2019

11:30 Four Seasons Penthouse Restaurant
Franca Lehara 2,
71000 Sarajevo; Phone: +387 33 590 565

Dinner on March 26, 2019

20:00 Pod Lipom
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