

SLOVENIA –Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport PROGRESS REPORT¹

**on recent developments regarding S&T cooperation in/with the WBC
(1st half 2012 or - November 2011 / Sarajevo till June 2012 / Tirana)**

1 Policy actions

In February 2012 the new Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport was established.

2 Legislative initiatives - development of the legal and strategic framework

3 Important events, meetings, training activities, etc.

4 Development of international cooperation and actions on integration into ERA

(e.g. new bilateral/international agreements, memberships, support structures, important international projects, programmes, etc.)

Bilateral Cooperation

Calls for proposals for S&T cooperation with Croatia, Macedonia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia have been published in the spring 2011 and the Joint Board meetings with Montenegro (24 projects are going on), Bosnia & Herzegovina (28 projects was adopted), Croatia (46 projects was adopted) and Serbia (50 projects was supported) have been realized. The Joint Board meetings with Macedonia has not been realized, we are still waiting for the decision of Macedonian Ministry. .

Multilateral cooperation

Slovenia actively participates in WBC-INCO.NET and SEE-ERA.NET PLUS projects.

5 Statistics - major changes / updates of relevant statistical data

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¹ The progress reports are collected in preparation of the meetings of the Steering Platform on Research for the Western Balkan Countries and will be provided for download from the WBC-INCO.Net homepage (www.wbc-inco.net) about one week before the meeting takes place. Therefore please submit your report to office@wbc-inco.net until June 5, 2012.

6 Assessment of the developments and outlook on the next 6 months

(Optional personal opinion)

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Appendix: additional data

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