

SLOVENIA – Ministry of Education, Science and Sport PROGRESS REPORT¹

on recent developments regarding S&T cooperation with the WBC (June 2013 / Budva until December 2013 / Zagreb)

- 1 Policy actions
- 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

- Programs for S&T cooperation between Slovenia and Croatia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Macedonia are in the process of realization. Slovenia has ongoing 24 projects with Montenegro, 28 with Bosnia & Herzegovina, 46 with Croatia, with Serbia 50 projects and with Macedonia 13 projects;
- supporting development of information system for libraries (COBISS) and information system on research activities – E-CRIS in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, Macedonia and Albania.
- Cooperation in the frame of research infrastructures.

Multilateral cooperation

- Slovenia actively participates in WBC-INCO.NET and will continue regional cooperation in the DANUBE-INCO.NET project;

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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 (<u>www.wbc-inco.net</u>) about one week before the meeting takes place. Therefore please submit your report to <u>office@wbc-inco.net</u> until December 5, 2013.



5 Statistics - major changes / updates of relevant statistical data

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

Calls for proposals for S&T cooperation for the period 2014 – 2015 with Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro were published in the spring 2013. Joint board meetings are planned to be held at the end of the year 2013 (with BiH) and at the beginning of 2014 with other countries.