

SLOVENIA –MHEST PROGRESS REPORT¹

**on recent developments regarding S&T cooperation in/with the WBC
(1st half 2011 or November 2010 / Becici - May 2011 / Ohrid)**

1 Policy actions

(e.g. essential changes in the political authorities, administrative bodies, agencies, institutions, personnel, development/launch of new national funding programmes, etc.)

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2 Legislative initiatives - development of the legal and strategic framework

In 2011 the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia will adopt the Resolution on research and Innovation Strategy of Slovenia 2011-2020, which was approved by the Government of the Republic of Slovenia in March 2011. It supports a new concept of bilateral cooperation which will replace the concept of pure mobility; cooperation with WBC is still one of the priorities.

3 Important events, meetings, training activities, etc.

Brokerage and networking event to support FP 7 calls for transport – **SEETRANS 2011** took place in Ljubljana on 12 and 13 April with about 100 participants from SEE countries. WBC-INCO.NET was the co-organizer of the event.

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 and Montenegro have been published, in preparation are with Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia.

Multilateral cooperation

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

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@zwbc-inco.net until May 15, 2011.

5 Statistics - major changes / updates of relevant statistical data

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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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