



WESTERN BALKANS

DRAFT AGENDA

STEERING PLATFORM ON RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

27 SEPTEMBER 2017
BELGRADE, SERBIA

11:30 – 12:30

Registration & Light Lunch

12:30 – 12:45

Welcome remarks | Opening statements

- Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Serbia
- European Commission, DG Research and Innovation
- Estonian EU Council Presidency

12:45 – 13:15

EU R&D Agenda: Priorities/objectives in Research and Innovation of Estonian EU Council Presidency

- EU Council Presidency presents their R&I activities related to the Western Balkans
- EC reports on latest R&I developments (by Philippe Vialatte)



- 13:15 – 14:45** **Recent R&I cooperation developments in/with Western Balkans**
- Update from all SP members based on progress reports
 - Update on the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (by Viktor Nedović)
- 14:45 – 15:30** **Strengthening research and innovation capacity in Western Balkans**
- Debriefing from R&I Innovation Meeting Podgorica (by Bernhard Fabianek)
 - Reports from EUA, RCC, JRC and COST
 - *Discussion*
- 15:30 – 16:00** ***Coffee break***
- 16:00 – 16:45** **Pilot scheme to support incoming excellent research teams**
- Trieste Conclusions (JRC and Berlin-Process)
 - Presentation of a potential mobility scheme (by European Commission)
 - *Discussion*
- 16:45 – 17:45** **Developing Regional Centres of Excellence and Infrastructures – promoting collaboration between science and industry**
- JRC research infrastructures open to researchers from the Western Balkans (by Emanuela Bellan)
 - CERIC-ERIC and ELI (by Carlo Rizzuto)
 - ANTARES (by Vesna Crnojevic-Bengin)
 - South-East European International Institute for Sustainable Technologies (by Sanja Damjanovic)
 - Verrocchio (by Aleksandar Bogojevic)
 - *Discussion*
- 17:45 – 18:15** **Conclusions and summary for the Ministerial Meeting on September 28, 2017**
- Preparation of report to the Ministerial meeting
 - Follow up – Announcement of next meeting
- 20:00** ***Networking Dinner***