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**Preparation of Horizon2020 &
Synergy with IPA**

QUESTIONS

Meeting of Steering Platform on Research for Western Balkan Countries

1 December 2011, Sarajevo

Enlargement Countries Joint Initiatives for Horizon2020

- A Joint Initiative towards the future framework program:
 - The “Enlargement Countries Associated to FP7” manifested their opinion on the future of EU research funding in a Joint Position Paper in February 2011
- The Enlargement Countries submitted a Joint Response to the EC Consultation Green Paper “From Challenges to Opportunities: Towards a Common Strategic Framework for EU Research and Innovation Funding” in May 2011
- The Joint Response was presented at the Steering Platform on Research for Western Balkan countries on 26 May 2011.

Concepts and issues championed

Increasing capacities to compete

Consideration of Enlargement Policy and process

Building Capacities for Research and Innovation

Territorially targeted actions for Enlargement Countries

Research Collaboration for Development



Innovation
Human Capital

SMEs
Small projects

Infrastructures
Risk tolerance

The Case for Capacity Building

- Where does the **capacity building activities** stand in this new structure?
 - e.g. REGPOT type of activities?
 - Is it all transferred to Cohesion Policy funds for EU MS?
- Is the **upcoming IPA** designed to support capacity building in R&I?
 - What is the change compared to previous IPA?
 - How much it covers easy access to R&I capacity building activities?
- Are there any **soft capacity building** activities, within the framework of **Horizon2020** programme?
 - such as NCP network activities or other types of support actions?

Consideration of Enlargement Process

- Are there any **reference to the enlargement** policy in the H2020 or to the concept of research cooperation for development?
- Are there any reference or **room for territorially targeted activities** that would address only the Enlargement Countries?
- Where does **FP7 INCO type activities** stand?
 - How would sustainability of projects like WBC-INCO.NET, SEE-ERA.NET Plus can be ensured, which facilitated the EU integration of the region in the enlargement process and enabled joint activities?

Procedures for Association

- What is the **association procedure** to H2020? Are there any changes compared to FP7 association procedure?
- Possibility of **rebates** in getting associated to H2020? What would be the rebate?
- Would H2020 be **open to international cooperation** as it is now, if any country opts not to be associated to it?

Structural Issues

- How are the **scale of projects** to be funded under these schemes, e.g. IP, STREP types? Smaller or bigger projects?
- How the **access to risk finance** will be designed with regard to the associated countries?
 - Will the risk finance be funded through main pool of the programme?
 - Will the associated countries be eligible?
- Where does **EURATOM** stand?