Researchers’ Night 2012 in Banja Luka “Magic is Science” (RNBL’12)

First time in Bosnia and Herzegovina, financed by EC through FP7 programme, RNBL’12 will animate local research community and enable opportunity to discover the magic behind science.

Hereby we would like to invite **everyone** to participate at **Researchers’ Night in Banja Luka 2012 “Magic is Science”** (RNBL’12) event, to be hold in **Banja Luka**, **Bosnia and Herzegovina** on **28th September 2012**.

Researchers’ Night is an Europe-wide event initiated by the European Commission in 2005 as part of FP7 programme, which brings together the public at large and researchers once a year on the fourth Friday of September. Its main objective is to present researchers in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, to point out the positive impact of the researchers' job in daily life of citizens, and to promote research careers, in particular towards young people and their parents. In 2012, this event will be organized in 284 cities of 32 European countries.

For the first time in Bosnia and Herzegovina, RNBL’12 will gather researchers and the public for one night under the slogan “Science is Magic”, and create a “science show” addressing all age groups of the general public, demonstrating that science and research can be exciting, interactive and fun. Planned activities include presentations of local and international researchers, their projects and results from various scientific fields with street experiments, performances and competitions in Banja Luka. The activities will take place at four different locations with various contents **(“Science Fair”**, **“Treasure Hunt”**, **“Edutainment Park”**, **“EU Corner”**, **“High-School Competition”**, and more) in the period between 17:00 and 24:00 hours. Our target is to have 5.000 people visiting the event, and 100.000 to be reached by promotional campaign, with the aim to build a sound foundation for rising awareness about science and research in our country.

Find out more about the project at <http://nocistrazivaca.ba/> and join our young enthusiastic community at <http://www.facebook.com/NocIstrazivacaBiH> !

# Programme

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| **Petar Kočić park and Krajina square**  |
| 18:00 – 18:30 | Opening ceremony |
| 17:00 – 22:00 | Young scientists: bubbles, games, quizzes and workshops for kids |
| 18:30 – 23:00 | High School competition: interactive science projects |
| 18:30 – 23:00 | Science Fair: universities and organizations with their science work demonstration |
| 18:30 – 23:00 | Edutainment Park: local, Diaspora and EU researchers with presentations and demonstrations |
| 18:30 – 23:00 | EU corner: gateway to EU and world, kids’ artwork exhibition |
| **Hydro-Meteorological Institute and Banj Brdo** |
| 19:00 – 23:00 | Open doors at Hydro-Meteorological Institute: astronomy, weather forecast, seismology |
| 19:00 – 21:00 | Treasure Hunt |
| 21:00 – 23:00 | Night sky with Hot Air Balloon |
| **Dom omladine** |
| 23:00 – 02:00 | Science Party |
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