



# WESTERN BALKANS

## STEERING PLATFORM ON RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

### AGENDA

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 (represented by the trio-partner Austria)

12:45 – 13:15

**EU R&D Agenda: Priorities/objectives in Research and Innovation of the 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 the 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 – 16:00**      **Strengthening research and innovation capacity in the Western Balkans**
- Debriefing from the R&I Innovation Meeting Podgorica (by Bernhard Fabianek)
  - Reports from EU4TECH Western Balkans, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC), and European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST)
  - Trieste Conclusions (Berlin-Process)
  - *Discussion*
- 16:00 – 16:30**      ***Coffee break***
- 16:30 – 17:45**      **Developing Regional Centres of Excellence and Infrastructures – promoting collaboration between science and industry**
- Joint Research Center (JRC) research infrastructures open to researchers from the Western Balkans (by Emanuela Bellan)
  - Central European Research Infrastructure Consortium (CERIC-ERIC) and Extreme Light Infrastructure (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 28 September 2017**
- Preparation of the report to the Ministerial meeting
  - Follow up - Announcement of the next meeting
- 20:00**                ***Networking Dinner***
- Restaurant “Dva Jelena”, Skadarlija
  - Bus transfer from the IN Hotel will be arranged