

3rd Austrian-Croatian Science Days

18-19 October 2007; Graz, Austria

Programme

Thursday, 18 October, Afternoon

INFORMATION DAY – Latest Information on Programmes and Initiatives Supporting Transnational Science, Research and Technology Cooperation

Moderation

Manfred Horvat, Senior Advisor, Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research (BMWF), Austria

13:00 - 14:00

Registration

14:00 - 14:20

Welcome

Alfred Gutschelhofer, Rector, University of Graz

14:20 - 14:50

Opening and Introduction

Greta Pifat Mrzljak, on behalf of the Croatian-Austrian Society (CAS) and Austrian-Croatian Society (ACS)

Christine Buzeczki, Deputy Director of Department of International Research Cooperation, Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research (BMWF), Austria

Drazen Vikić-Topic, State Secretary for Science, Education and Sports, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports (MSES), Croatia

Zoran Jasic, Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia to Austria, Croatia

14:50 - 15:10

The 7th EU Framework Programme for RTD (FP7) – results from FP6 and new opportunities for cooperation between Austria and Croatia

Ralf König, Head of Unit for International Cooperation and Mobility, Division for European and International Programmes (EIP), Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG), Austria

Gordana Prutki-Pecnik, National Contact Points Coordinator, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports (MSES), Croatia

15:10 - 15:25

EUREKA – enhancing market oriented research and technology cooperation between Croatia and Austria

Gordana Prutki-Pecnik, EUREKA National Project Coordinator, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports (MSES), Croatia

Petra Zwirn, Project Officer, Austrian EUREKA Bureau, Austria

15:25 - 15:40

COST – coordinating science and technology activities

Helga Mieling, Head of Department for EU and International Affairs, Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology (BMVIT), Austria

Neven Zarkovic, Senior Scientist, Rudjer Boskovic Institute & CAS, Croatia

15:40 - 16:10

Coffee Break

16:10 - 16:20

The Science and Technology Cooperation Agreement between Austria and Croatia

Branka Ravlic, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports (MSES), Croatia

Gisela Zieger, Department of International Research Cooperation, Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research (BMWF), Austria

16:20 - 16:30

Coordination of National Research Programmes – The South East European ERA-NET (SEE ERANET)

Florian Gruber, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI), Austria

16:30 - 16:40

Cooperation in Innovation and Research with Central and Eastern Europe – the CIR-CE

Programme

Georg Panholzer, Department for International Technology and Innovation Affairs, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Labour (BMA), Austria

16:40 - 17:00

The Cooperation between JOANNEUM RESEARCH and the Rudjer Boskovic Institute – regional perspectives

Bernhard Pelzl, Director, JOANNEUM RESEARCH, Austria

Mladen Zinic, Director, Rudjer Boskovic Institute, Croatia

17:00 - 17:10

The Services of the Business and Innovation Center of Croatia (BICRO)

Hrvoje Prpic, Director, BICRO, Croatia

17:10 - 17:20

The Croatian Institute of Technology – an New Organisation Strengthening the Croatian Research Capacity (HIT)

Pero Munivrana, Director, HIT, Croatia

17:20 - 17:30

AVL - An example for industrial R&D cooperation

Gotthard Rainer, VP "Advanced Simulation Technologies", AVL List GmbH, Austria

17:30 - 17:40

Opening the European Research Area for the Western Balkan Countries – The ERA

WESTBALKAN+ Project and Opportunities for Finding RTD Partners

Ralf König, Head of Unit for International Cooperation and Mobility, Division for European and International Programmes (EIP), Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG), Austria

17:40 - 17:50

Outlook to the Partnering Day on 19 October – Objectives and Practical Arrangements

Robert Worel, Unit for International Cooperation and Mobility, Division for European and International Programmes (EIP), Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG), Austria

17:50 - 18:00

Final Discussion and Conclusions of the First Day

18:00

Evening Reception

Offered by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science and Research (BMWF)

19 October, Morning

LIFE SCIENCES PARTNERING DAY

Partner Meetings Based on Pre-matching of Partnering Profiles

Organised by

Elli Stepanovic and Ralf König, Division for European and International Programmes (EIP), Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG), Austria

Neven Zarkovic, Rudjer Boskovic Institute & CAS, Croatia

08:30 Registration

09:00 Start of the Partnering Day

Pre-arranged bilateral meetings between researchers from Austria and Croatia.

Individual meeting schedules will be provided upon registration.

13:00 End of the Austrian-Croatian Science Days