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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

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| 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 ERA-NET)
Florian Gruber, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI), Austria |





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- 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 (BMWA), 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

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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**

