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## Agenda

### Meeting of Steering Platform on Research for Western Balkan Countries

May 28, 2009  
Marble Hall, Château Liblice, Czech Republic

8.30 - 9.00

#### Accreditation

Accreditation will be also opened on May, 27, from 17:00 – 18:00 after the Executive Steering Board Meeting, close to reception desk.

9.00 - 9.30

#### Opening Statements by:

- Czech Presidency, Jakub Dürr
- European Commission, Alessandro Damiani
- Representative from Albania, Edmond Agolli

9.30 - 9.45

- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of the Minutes of the last Steering Platform Meeting (Paris, 19 December 2008)

9.45 - 11.15

#### What has been done since December 2008:

Presentation of **recent developments regarding S&T cooperation in/with the WBC** (see Information sheets for more details) by:

- European Commission (DG RTD and JRC)
- Western Balkan countries
- other Steering Platform Members: Member states and countries associated to FP7
- representatives from SEE-ERA.NET, SEE-ERA.NET PLUS, WBC-INCO.NET, COST, EUREKA, RCC and UNESCO

11.15 - 11.30

*Family photo (outside) - Coffee break – Marble Hall*

11.30 - 12.45

#### Participation of WBCs in FP7:

- Statistics (EC)
- Presentation of WBC-INCO.NET Study on Barriers to research cooperation in WBCs (Jadranka Švarc, Ivo Pilar)
- Debriefing on EUFORDIA Conference: what is in for WBCs (Jakub Dürr, CZ PRES)

12.45 - 14.00	<i>Lunch - Restaurant</i>
14.00 - 15.30	<p><b>Researchers without Barriers – Mobility of scientists:</b></p> <p><b>Presentation of Brain gain programme in Albania</b> (Dr. Bernard Zeneli, Albania)</p> <p><b>State of play on work package on mobility in SEE-ERA.NET and SEE-ERA.NET PLUS</b> (Marion Haberfellner, SEE-ERA.NET, SEE-ERA.NET PLUS)</p> <p><b>Debriefing on the Bucharest Conference on Fostering and Building Human Capital for Sustainable Knowledge Societies in SEE, 6 – 7 March 2009</b> (Katarina Miljevič, TFBHC)</p> <p><b>Debriefing on Euraxess Conference: Researchers in motion in Potsdam, 16 - 18 March 2009</b> (EC)</p>
15.30 - 15.45	<i>Coffee break – Marble Hall</i>
15.45 - 16.15	<b>Debriefing on Research Infrastructures and the Regional Dimension of ERA Conference in Prague on 24 - 25 March</b> (Jakub Dürr, CZ PRES)
16.15 - 17.15	<p><b>Concluding Remarks</b> Presentation and adoption of conclusions including recommendations on future actions and work</p> <p><b>AOB</b></p> <p><b>Announcement of the next Steering Platform Meeting</b></p>
17:45	<b>Departure to Social Event</b> (meeting point – reception desk)
18:00 – 21:30	<b>Social event at Château Mělník</b>