

**PROTOCOL**  
**of the Third Meeting of the Joint Committee for Scientific and Technological**  
**Co-operation between the Republic of Slovenia and Romania, held by correspondence**  
**(Working Programme for the years 2008- 2009)**

According to the article 2 of the Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the Government of Romania, signed at Bled on May 12, 2000, the Third Meeting of the Slovenian-Romanian Joint Committee for Scientific and Technological co-operation was held in December 2007 by correspondence.

**List of representatives in charge of Slovenian-Romanian bilateral cooperation is given in Annex 1.**

The institutions responsible for cooperation in science and technology between the two countries are:

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and

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***Ministry of Education, Research and Youth***  
***National Authority for Scientific Research (ANCS)***  
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**Both Parties agreed on the following agenda:**

1. Evaluation and selection of joint projects for the years 2008 and 2009.
2. Closing remarks:

- 2.1. Recommendations for future actions: setting the date for the next Call for proposals.
- 2.2. Joint fields of S&T cooperation.
- 2.3. Place and date of the next meeting of the Joint Committee.

#### **Ad 1/**

The Joint Committee established that eighteen (18) proposals had been submitted on the Slovenian side and seventeen (17) project proposals on the Romanian side. The project proposals were peer-reviewed by both Parties according to the procedures approved at the first meeting. Based on their scientific merit the Joint Committee selected the projects listed in Annex 2 for financing in the years 2008-2009.

The following rules and regulations apply with regard to the expenses:

- the sending Party covers the travel expenses between the research institutions;
- the receiving Party covers the accommodation, subsistence and local travel expenses as follows:

#### **In Slovenia:**

In case of short (up to 12 days) and long term visits (from 15 days to 3 months) Slovenian Party covers paid accommodation at the House of Postgraduates (exceptionally \*\*\* category hotel) and daily allowance for meals in the amount of 15 € will be provided for as a contribution for covering the living expenses. Preference will be given to use the university/academic accommodation/facilities

#### **In Romania:**

The Romanian Party covers the costs of stay of the Slovenian researcher in the amount of 60 Lei per diem as a daily allowance and separately the cost of accommodation (according to the legislation into force).

Other categories of costs, besides the mobility costs are as well eligible, according to the Romanian legislation and provisions into force.

The Slovene-Romanian Joint Committee for Scientific and Technological Co-operation approved funding of 17 projects for co-operation in the period January 2008 - December 2009. The list of approved projects, number of visits and length of stays per project and per year are enclosed as **Annex 2**.

At the end of the first year the mid-term report on the progress made during the year, shall be submitted to the responsible institutions by January 2009.

If the mid-term report is not submitted in due time, the responsible institutions will not fund the project for the second year of cooperation.

At the end of the project the final report on the results achieved, signed by both of the project leaders, shall be submitted to the responsible institutions.

At the next meeting the Joint Committee shall analyse the cooperation, based on the final reports, submitted to the responsible institutions.

**Ad 2.1/**

The Joint Committee agreed that the Slovenian and the Romanian Parties shall launch the next call for proposals for the period 2010 -2011 by the beginning of March 2009, with the deadline for submission of project proposals by June, 2009.

The applications have to be sent by the Slovenian project leaders to the Slovenian Research Agency, and by the Romanian project leaders to the Romanian National Authority for Scientific Research respectively.

Both Parties agreed to stimulate bilateral cooperation, which could be the basis for joint participation in the FP7 of the EU and other multilateral programs.

**Ad. 2.2/**

Parties will jointly agree upon the priority fields of S&T cooperation by means of electronic communication.

**Ad. 2.3/**

The next meeting of the Slovenian-Romanian Joint Committee will be held in Slovenia by December 2009, in order to analyse the cooperation, create favourable conditions for further cooperation, and select new projects for the years 2010-2011.

The stipulations of this Protocol shall come into force upon its signing and shall prevail until signing of the next protocol.

**Annexes 1 and 2 are integral parts of this Protocol.**

Signed by correspondence.

**For the  
Slovenian side**

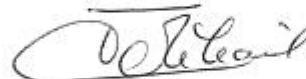


**Ms. Alenka Kocjan**

**Date:**

*2<sup>nd</sup> December 2007*

**For the  
Romanian side**



**Ms. Iulia MIHAIL**

**Date:**

*11 December 2007*

List of representatives of both sides:

Slovenian side:

- Ms. Alenka KOCJAN Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Head of Bilateral Co-operation Department, Office of International Cooperation and European Affairs, head of the delegation;
- Mr. Bojan JENKO Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Directorate of Science and Higher Education, member of the delegation;
- Ms. Petja STANOVNIK Slovenian Research Agency, member of the delegation;
- Ms. Slavi KRUŠIČ Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Office of International Cooperation and European Affairs, secretary of the Joint Committee.

Romanian side:

- Ms. Iulia MIHAIL National Authority for Scientific Research, Director, Department of European Integration and International Cooperation, head of the delegation;
- Ms. Anca GHINESCU National Authority for Scientific Research, counsellor, Department of European Integration and International Cooperation, secretary of the Joint Committee.