

JOINT DECLARATION

Based on the discussions held in Copenhagen in October 1997 and on the interest of researchers and scientists of both countries, Dr. Lojze Marinček, Minister of Science and Technology of the Republic of Slovenia, and Ms. Jytte Hilden, Minister for Research and Information Technology of the Kingdom of Denmark, hereby express their determination to strengthen and promote cooperation in the fields of scientific research and technological development between the Republic of Slovenia and the Kingdom of Denmark.

This process will be pursued within the existing legislative and regulatory measures of each country and will be based upon the existing contacts between the institutions and individuals of both countries and upon the cooperative relations yet to be established. Both sides will support the establishment of new links and provide informational support to this effect.

At present, cooperation includes a number of projects, some of which have surpassed the bilateral limits and have been successfully integrated into the multilateral cooperative efforts.

Viewing the successful bilateral cooperation as a basis for incorporation of mutual research results into multilateral programmes and thus their further development and affirmation as well as a possibility to secure a share of international research programme funds the two ministries will pay special attention to the fields of science and technology mutually agreed upon as priorities.

Both sides will encourage policies regarding participation to international research and development programmes and in particular to the programmes of the European Union.

The two ministers agree that favourable atmosphere to further develop the bilateral cooperation has been established and will endeavour to further improve these conditions for the benefit of both sides.

Done in Copenhagen, on this 24..... day of October 1997 in two originals, each in the Slovenian, Danish and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of differences of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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and Technology
of the Republic of Slovenia:



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