

# **TURKEY**

# PROGRESS REPORT1

# on recent developments regarding S&T cooperation in/with the WBC (December 2012 / Belgrade till June 2013 / Budva)

## 1 Policy actions

(e.g. essential changes in the political authorities, administrative bodies, agencies, institutions, personnel, development/launch of new national funding programmes, etc.)

#### 2 Legislative initiatives - development of the legal and strategic framework

- 3 Important events, meetings, training activities, etc.
  - The Minister of Science of Montenegro paid a visit to the Minister of Science, Industry and Technology of Turkey on 12 April 2013.
  - A delegation from the Ministry of Science of Montenegro paid a visit to TUBITAK on 12 April 2013.
  - The President of TUBITAK paid a visit to the President of Macedonia (FYROM), to the Minister of Education and Science of Macedonia (FYROM), and to the President of Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts (MANU), on 12 April 2013.
  - In the context of WBC-INCO.NET project, a Regional Dialogue Meeting on Association to Horizon 2020 has been held in Vienna, on 10 April 2013, with the participation of the Western Balkan Countries, Turkey and the European Commission.

#### 4 Development of international cooperation and actions on integration into ERA

(e.g. new bilateral/international agreements, memberships, support structures, important international projects, programmes, etc.)

 A bilateral intergovernmental science and technology cooperation agreement has been signed between the Republic of Turkey and Montenegro on 12 April 2013, on the

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occasion of the visit of the Minister of Science of Montenegro to the Minister of Science, Industry and Technology of Turkey. The full name of the agreement:

"Agreement on Cooperation in Science and Technology between the Government of the Republic of Turkey and the Government of Montenegro".

 An inter-institutional science and technology cooperation protocol has been signed between TUBITAK and the Ministry of Science of Montenegro on 12 April 2013, on the occasion of the visit of a delegation from the Ministry of Science of Montenegro to TUBITAK. The full name of the Protocol:

"Protocol on Cooperation in Science and Technology between The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) and Ministry of Science of Montenegro".

This inter-institutional protocol will enable the launch of joint calls between the two organizations.

 On the occasion of the visit of the President of TUBITAK to the President of Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts (MANU) which took place on 12 April 2013, an inter-institutional protocol on science and technology cooperation has been signed between TUBITAK and MANU. The full name of the Protocol:

"Protocol on Cooperation in Science and Technology between The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) and Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts".

This inter-institutional protocol will enable the launch of joint calls between the two organizations.

5 Statistics - major changes / updates of relevant statistical data

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6 Assessment of the developments and outlook on the next 6 months

(Optional personal opinion)

New calls will be negotiated with Montenegro and Macedonia.

### **Appendix: additional data**

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