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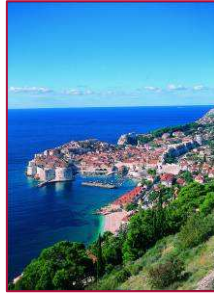
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Karlovac



Croatian Pannonia



Dubrovnik
Neretva



Istria



Krapinsko-Zagorska
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Croatian Pannonia - Karlovac (Alps-Adriatic Regions & Universities
4 Knowledge Society)

"Europe 2020, the link between higher education and business"

21 October 2011
Karlovac

Europe 2020

Type: Conference / Round table

Organisers: Karlovac County
Karlovac University od Applied Sciences
Center of Excellence in Mechatronics in Karlovac

Chair : **Conference:**
Karlovac County, Mrs. Eva Sobotik-Pavan, Head of department for European
Integration and regional co-operation
Round Table:
Karlovac University od Applied Sciences, Mayor of Sevilla

Speakers: **Mr. Branko Wasserbauer**, Dean of the Karlovac University of Applied Sciences
Mr. Željko Šančić, Head of County Department for Education, Sport and Culture
Mr. Darko Vyroubal, Vice dean of the Karlovac University of Applied Sciences, Center of
Excellence in Mechatronics in Karlovac (project leader)
Representative from the Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sports
Representative from the University of the West of England, Bristol, England
Representative from the Karlovac Employment Institute

Description

The link between education and real labour market is one of the priorities in the European Union and part of the main aims for the Europe 2020 strategy. Croatia as a candidate state to join the EU, has various tools to enhance the regional co-operation such as the financing programmes Interreg, IPA, and is presently intensively preparing for the effective use of the structural funds EU which will be enabled for this effect.

This one-day event will bring the Brussels Open Days closer to the region, and the participation of foreign actors and project partners allow to focus on their experiences and ways to improve the existing co-operation initiatives.

The event will be aimed at elected local politicians, officers and educational institutions and business sector in the wider region and in this area some examples of implemented projects and initiatives with European partners will be presented and new and improved ways of collaboration between all factors in the educational and business sector will be set as the main aim of the meeting.

Target groups of participants:

The event will be aimed at elected local politicians, officers and educational institutions and business sector in the wider region and to present a future European partners.

More information:

www.kazup.hr

www.vuka.hr

www.cmk.vuka.hr

<http://www.kaportal.hr/eu-robotika-mehatronika>

<http://www.vecernji.hr/regije/student-mehatronike-osvojio-zlato-sajmu-tehnologija-moskvi-clanak-126001>

<http://www.liderpress.hr/Default.aspx?sid=112513>

Croatian Pannonia - Osijek (Alps-Adriatic Regions & Universities 4 Knowledge Society)

**"Europe in my region: Integrating science and economy to
enhance regional competitiveness"**

9 November 2011
Osijek

Geography matters

Type: Workshop and Round table

Organiser: Regional development agency of Slavonia and Baranja, Osijek, Croatia

Chair: **Mr. Stjepan Ribić**, Director, Regional Development Agency of Slavonia and Baranja
(**Mrs. Kornelija Mlinarević**, Deputy Director, RDA Slavonia and Baranja)

Speakers: **Mr. Renato Vrebac**, head of SIIF program in Croatia, Ministry of Science, Education and Sports
Dr. sc. Rein Ruubel, team leader for SIIF T.A.
Prof.dr.sc. Ivan Samardžić, University of Osijek, Vice-Rector for Science, Technology, Projects and International Cooperation
Prof.dr.sc. Vlasta Piližota, Faculty of Food Technology
Prof.dr.sc. Slavica Singer, Faculty of Economics, UNESCO Chair in Entrepreneurship
Business sector representatives, SAPONIA, Research and development
Agriculture Institute Osijek
Croatian Employers' Association
BICRO
South Transdanubian Regional Innovation Agency, Hungary

Description

The need of linking of academic and business sector for stronger local and regional development will be presented and discussed from very different viewpoints: researchers and professors with their team members and their projects with application potential, knowledge-based businesses, consultants and staff of the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports with their experiences of Science and Innovation Investment Fund (SIIF), and Entrepreneurship department of the Faculty of Economics.

The main subject will be the university – industry relations and common development potential.

The local event of the Open Days 2011 in Osijek will raise awareness on need for better integration of the academic sector with business sector, need for more communication on resources and capabilities, co-operation benefits and funding opportunities for joint projects, with common goal to enhance the regional development through stronger commitment and smarter utilization of available knowledge-based capacities.

Target groups of participants:

Representatives from the region's universities, business sector, local authorities, representatives from R&D institutions or departments, SME support organisations.

More information:

Regional development agency of Slavonia and Baranja: www.slavonija.hr

University of Osijek: <http://www.unios.hr/>

Ministry of Science, Education and Sports – Science and Innovation Investment Fund (SIIF):

<http://www.siif-croatia.com/en/>

Faculty of Economics in Osijek, Graduate and PhD program in Entrepreneurship:

<http://www.pspefos.hr>

EU2020 Strategy: http://ec.europa.eu/europe2020/index_en.htm

EU Strategy for the Danube Region: http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/cooperation/danube/index_en.htm

Dubrovnik-Neretva Region (Adriatic-Ionian Macroregion)

"Adriatic-Ionian Macroregion: a New Framework for Cross Border Co-operation"

3 October 2011
Dubrovnik

Geography matters

Type: Seminar

Organiser: Dubrovnik-Neretva Region and Regional Development Agency DUNEA

Chair: **Mr. Stjepan Ribić**, Director, Regional Development Agency of Slavonia and Baranja
(**Mrs. Kornelija Mlinarević**, Deputy Director, RDA Slavonia and Baranja)

Speakers: **Gian Mario SPACCA**, Marche Region
Enrico COCCHI, Emilia-Romagna Region
Nikola DOBROSLAVIC, Dubrovnik-Neretva Region
Antonio SORGI, Abruzzo Region
Zeljka CVIJANOVIC, Republika Srpska
Angelo Michele IORIO, Molise Region
Dobrica MILOVANOVIC, City of Kragujevac
Miloš SIMONOVIC, City of Niš
Sevkija OKERIC, Director, Sarajevo Economic Region Development Agency (SERDA) , Sarajevo Canton and Hercegovačko-Neretvanska Canton tbc
Oriano OTOCAN, Region of Istria
Zarko PAVICEVIC, Montenegro
Gregor KRAJC, Deputy General Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Slovenia

Description

As a follow-up of the workshop held in Brussels during the Open Days 2011, the seminar will focus, on one hand, on the Adriatic-Ionian Macroregion and on common challenges and opportunity linked to EU Enlargement – identifying shared strategies and policies and a new model of governance for a better and more sustainable development and a common regional policy. New future challenges such as climate change, globalisation and economic and social integration have to be commonly addressed by regions and cities in this area. Regional and local governments are important facilitators, able to mobilise people and ideas in a single and integrated effort and they will be the actors of this bottom-up approach aiming at the creation of a Adriatic-Ionian Macroregion. On the other hand it will focus on the Adriatic-Ionian Macroregion and on successful cooperation and projects presented by the partner regions and local authorities to show how a shared strategy can better manage common future challenges in a mature area where existing networks e.g. the Forum of Universities –UNIADRION, the Forum of Adriatic-Ionian Chambers of Commerce and others already cooperate to face the main common issues requiring a macroregional approach in order to foster integration towards a successful future enlargement.

Target groups of participants:

Representatives from the regional and local authorities as well as different stakeholders from the civil society.

More information:

<http://www.edubrovnik.org>

<http://www.dunea.hr>

<http://www.dubrovnik-neretva.eu>

"Adriatic-Ionian Macroregion: a New Framework for Cross Border Co-operation"

Pula

Geography matters

Type: Seminar

Organiser: Region of Istria

Chair: *Morning session:* Region of Istria
Afternoon session: Adriatic Euroregion

Speakers: **Gian Mario SPACCA**, Marche Region
Enrico COCCHI, Emilia-Romagna Region
Nikola DOBROSLAVIĆ, Dubrovnik-Neretva Region
Antonio SORGI, Abruzzo Region
Zeljka CVIJANOVIĆ, Republika Srpska
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More information:

www.istra-istria.hr

www.istra-europa.eu

www.adriaticeuroregion.org

Krapinsko-Zagorska County (C.R.E.A.T.E. Cities and Regions Efficiently Acting Together in Europe)

"Europe in my region: Identification of regional needs"

30 November 2011
Donja Stubica

Geography matters

Type: Forum

Organiser: Krapina-Zagorje County, Zagorje Development Agency

Chair: **Siniša Hajdaš Dončić**, County Prefect of Krapina – Zagorje County
Ines Kos, director of Zagorje Development Agency

Speakers: **Siniša Hajdaš Dončić**, county prefect
Hrvoje Dolenec, state secretary
Franz Schausbeger, president of IRE and member of CoR
Representative of Polish region (Lubuskie region to be confirmed)
Representative of EU Delegation in Republic of Croatia

Description:

A public meeting and presentation involving a discussion among experts and including audience participation organized by Krapina – Zagorje County and Zagorje Development Agency will focus on identifying and exploiting regional potentials. The forum will be used as a presentation and discussion regarding regional development and specific initiatives and project that can be implemented through cohesion policy. Furthermore, the forum will also be a place where participants – local authority, decision-makers, stakeholders, experts, practitioners and the whole public - can exchange experiences and show good practice examples.

Target groups of participants:

Local authorities, representatives from the region's business sector and chambers, NGOs, media.

More information:

www.kzz.hr

www.zara.hr

II. Independent partner - other organisation/association organising a local event

ERIS (European Regional Information Society Association)

"Preparing for the Age of Communication"

November 2011
Rovinj

Geography matters

Type: Workshop

Organiser: European Regional Information Society Association

Chair:

Speakers:

Description:

Dramatic changes are taking place in the way in which we are connected, communicate, collaborate and transact with one another. While telephony shrunk the globe and transformed the pace of decision making throughout the 20th century the next decade will see a fundamental shift – often called an “inflection point” in telecommunications infrastructure that will transform the way we perceive communication and interactions. With average speeds for internet access set to change from 5 mbps to 50 and possibly even 100mbps, and with some installations of 1 gbps services and increasing access to point to point fibre solutions, plus an increase in both the diversity and pervasiveness of mobile devices, it's not hard to imagine the fundamental changes that will take place.

So what does this mean for “ordinary” people. How will we adapt to these changes. What will we be able to do differently and is there something we should be doing now to prepare for this future?

Our workshop – which is focused on “all” of the regional community (and not just the technically gifted) will apply an innovative facilitation framework to help us all to visualise the future, to consider the opportunities that lay ahead and to get us focused on the actions we need to take now to prepare for this future.

All of us from time to time have had an experience where we have looked back and thought – “I wish I had acted on this insight earlier”. For the upcoming “Age of Communication” that time is now.

Target groups of participants:

More information: