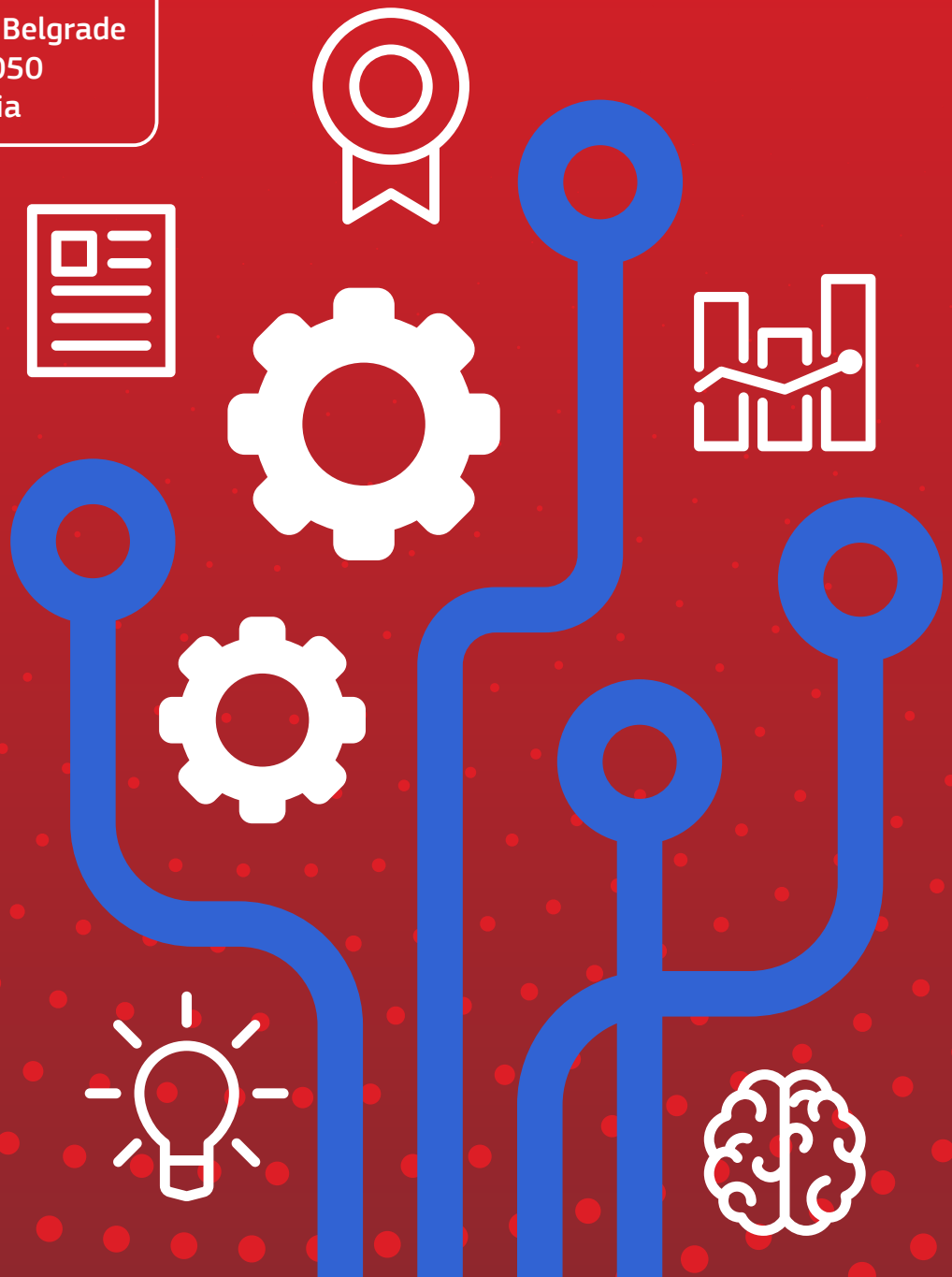


# Unveiling Serbia's Smart Specialisation Strategy and exploring the role of incubators, accelerators and S&T Parks in delivering sector specific support in the Western Balkans and South-East Europe

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# OPPORTUNITIES FOR REGIONAL COLLABORATION WITHIN SMART SPECIALISATION PRIORITY DOMAINS

Day 1 - Tuesday 15 October 2019

## Overview

09:00 - 10:00	Registration & welcome coffee
10:00 - 10:30	Welcome speeches
10:30 - 11:00	45 – Smart Specialisation Strategy for Serbia
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 - 12:30	Panel discussion: Sharing experiences – Feedback on Serbian Smart Specialisation Priority Domains
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch break
13:30 - 15:30	Panel discussion: How could cooperation on Serbian Smart Specialisation priorities enhance regional value chains in the Western Balkans and beyond?
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 - 17:00	Panel discussion: Challenges for the governance of innovation strategies in South-East Europe
17:00 - 17:15	Support of technology transfer instruments and tools to the implementation of the Smart Specialisation in South-East Europe
17:15 - 17:30	Wrap-up of Day 1
19:30	Networking dinner

# WELCOME SPEECHES

From 10:00 to 10:30

**Moderator: Viktor Nedovic**, *Assistant Minister, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Serbia*

**Mladen Sarcevic**, *Minister of Education, Science and Technological Development, Serbia*

**Sem Fabrizi**, *Ambassador and Head of Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia*

**Charlina Vitcheva**, *Deputy Director General, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

**Gordana Danilovic-Grkovic**, *Acting Director, Science Technology Park Belgrade*

## 4S – SMART SPECIALISATION STRATEGY FOR SERBIA

From 10:30 to 11:00

**Viktor Nedovic**, *Assistant Minister, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Serbia*

## SHARING EXPERIENCES – FEEDBACK ON SERBIAN SMART SPECIALISATION PRIORITY DOMAINS

From 11:30 to 12:30

**Moderator: Charlina Vitcheva**, *Deputy Director General, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

**Viktor Nedovic**, *Assistant Minister, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Serbia*

**Milena Milonjic**, *Senior Counsellor, Ministry of Science, Montenegro*

**Kerstin Koren**, *Head of Unit, Office of the Provincial Government, Lower Austria, Austria*

**Ramojus Reimeris**, *Head of Innovation Policy Unit, MOSTA, Lithuania*

**Gorazd Jenko**, *Smart Specialisation Coordination Unit, Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy, Slovenia*

The panel will begin with brief introduction of the session by the moderator followed by 5-7 minute interventions from panellists commenting on the descriptions of Serbia's Smart Specialisation priority domains provided prior to the coffee break. Panellists' reflections will focus on the EU experience and lessons learnt, thinking especially of the possible challenges concerning the implementation of the strategy and the opportunities resulting from the international cooperation. The floor will be then opened for the questions from the audience.

# HOW COULD COOPERATION ON SERBIAN SMART SPECIALISATION PRIORITIES ENHANCE REGIONAL VALUE CHAINS IN THE WESTERN BALKANS AND BEYOND?

From 13:30 to 15:30

**Moderator: Manuel Palazuelos Martínez**, *Team Leader, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

## Scene-setter

### **Serbian Smart Specialisation priorities and the regional value chains – Main findings from the JRC and OECD reports**

**Nikola Radovanovic**, *Territorial Development Unit, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

## Panel discussion

**Vladimir Popovic**, *State Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Serbia*

**Darko Petrusic**, *General Director of the Directorate for Research and Science Activities, Ministry of Science, Montenegro*

**Jasmina Majstoroska**, *Head of Unit, Ministry of Economy, North Macedonia*

**Linda Pustina**, *Director of the Directorate of Integration, Coordination, Agreements and Assistance, Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth, Albania*

**Vedat Sagonjeva**, *Director of the Strategic Planning Office, Office of the Prime Minister, Kosovo\**

**Jelena Begovic**, *Director, Institute of Molecular Genetics and Genetic Engineering, University of Belgrade, Serbia*

**Milan Solaja**, *Chief Executive, Vojvodina ICT Cluster, Serbia*

The panel discussion will be focused around the identified preliminary Smart Specialisation priority domains for Serbia:

- Information and Communication Technologies (ICT);
- Food for the future;
- Machines and production process of the future;
- Creative industries.

The panel will begin with brief introduction of the session by the moderator followed by 10-min scene-setting presentation and 10 minute interventions from all panellists commenting on the indicators provided in the presentation as well as potentials for enhancing regional value chains through cooperation on Smart Specialisation priority areas between the economies of the region. The floor will be then opened for the questions from the audience.

\*This designation, and all other designations in this programme, is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

# CHALLENGES FOR THE GOVERNANCE OF INNOVATION STRATEGIES IN SOUTH-EAST EUROPE

From 16:00 to 17:00

**Moderator:** Ales Gnamus, *Policy Officer, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

**Milica Djuric-Jovicic**, *Director, Science Fund, Serbia*

**Nina Radulovic**, *Scientific Council, Montenegro*

**Mladjan Stojanovic**, *Technology Transfer Coordinator, Innovation Fund, Serbia*

**Michael Voegele**, *Team Leader, Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission*

**Bernhard Fabianek**, *Horizon Association Unit, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission*

Smart Specialisation Strategies offer an opportunity for developing new ways of cross-sectoral policymaking not just in their design, but also in their implementation. Governing the implementation and monitoring of Smart Specialisation Strategies in a participatory manner between different quadruple-helix stakeholders is therefore necessary, and the priorities of other policy areas should be aligned with those defined in Smart Specialisation Strategies. Panel participants are invited to give introductions of maximum 5 minutes, which will be followed by approximately 15 minutes of round table discussion and questions from the audience.

## SUPPORT OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER INSTRUMENTS AND TOOLS TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SMART SPECIALISATION IN SOUTH-EAST EUROPE – INTRODUCTION TO THE SECOND DAY OF THE CONFERENCE

From 17:00 to 17:15

**Giancarlo Caratti**, *Head of Unit, Directorate-General, Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

## WRAP-UP OF DAY 1

From 17:15 to 17:30

**Viktor Nedovic**, *Assistant Minister, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Serbia*

**Manuel Palazuelos Martínez**, *Team Leader, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*



# SUPPORTING SERVICE SPECIALISATION: THE ROLE OF INCUBATORS, ACCELERATORS, AND S&T PARKS IN DELIVERING SECTOR SPECIFIC SUPPORT

Day 2 - Wednesday 16 October 2019

## Overview

08:30 - 09:00	Registration & welcome coffee
09:00 - 09:30	Opening
09:30 - 11:00	Keynote speeches
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 - 12:50	Keynote speeches
12:50 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:15	Parallel sessions I <i>+ ICT, Digital and Energy</i> <i>+ Internationalisation - Soft landing and Twinning</i> <i>+ Agriculture, Food, Tourism and Health Technologies</i>
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 - 17:00	Parallel sessions II <i>+ Sector specific instruments</i> <i>+ Supporting hardware start-ups</i> <i>+ Western Balkans Science &amp; Technology Park Development: Local Initiatives and Policy Challenges</i>
17:00 - 17:15	Conclusions

# OPENING

From 09:00 to 09:30

**Michael Voegele**, *Team Leader, Trade and Private Sector Unit, Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission*

**Giancarlo Caratti**, *Head of Unit, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

**Lisa Cowey**, *Key Expert for Technology Transfer, EU4TECH Western Balkans*

## KEYNOTE SPEECHES (ROOM A)

From 09:30 to 11:00

**Moderator: Vanja Ivosevic**, *Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)*

**Implementing S3 in Lithuania: The Valleys project**

**Ričardas Valančiauskas**, *Head of RDI Programmes and International Cooperation Department, Agency for Science, Innovation and Technology (MITA), Lithuania*

**Development of financial instruments for supporting both start-ups and established companies for cross-border business within a smart specialisation strategy - experiences from INCluSilver a Horizon 2020 Innosup Project.**

**Per Simonsson**, *InCluSilver Project coordinator, Livsmedelsakademin, Sweden*

**CROWDSTREAM: From crowdfunding strategies to pilot actions in Western Balkan partner regions**

**Brigitte Hatvan**, *Team Leader Business & Innovation, ConPlusUltra, Austria*

## KEYNOTE SPEECHES (ROOM A)

From 11:30 to 12:50

**Moderator: Stoyan Kaymaktchiyski**, *Project Officer, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

**Health Hub Vienna - Healthcare through innovation & entrepreneurship**

**Michael Hähnle**, *Health Hub Vienna and INiTS*

**Sectoral Soft-landing for ambitious start-ups: ENRICH in the USA**

**Svetlana Klessova**, *Inno Group, France*

**A methodological approach for sector specific Business and R&D platforms development within Technology Parks in line with the priorities of Regional and or National Smart Specialization Strategy/ Case Studies from Thessaloniki and Bucharest**

**Paris Kokorotsikos**, *International Association of Science Parks and Areas of Innovation (IASP)*



## PARALLEL SESSIONS I (ROOM A)

### AGRICULTURE, FOOD, TOURISM AND HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES

From 14:00 to 15:15

**Moderator:** Bernhard Fabianek, *Horizon Association Unit, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission*

Kata Szaloki, *EIT Health InnoStars, European Institute of Innovation and Technology*

Anders Iversen, *Innovation Manager, InCluSilver*

Stasa Stankovic, *IMAGINE! IF Accelerator*

Ivana Kostić, *Health Tech Lab*

Lorenzo Rossi, *Management & Consulting Partners, Adria Footouring/ADRIAINCUBATOR*

Q&A

## PARALLEL SESSIONS I (ROOM B)

### INTERNATIONALISATION - SOFT LANDING AND TWINNING

From 14:00 to 15:15

**Moderator:** Dragan Soljan, *European Investment Bank (EIB)*

**Incubators and Science & Technology Parks: Twinning Initiative**

Jean Charles Minier, *Inno Group, France*

**The benefits of Institutional twinning**

Alexandre Yourchak, *CEO, Association of Industrial Automation, Ukraine*

**Incubators and Science & Technology Parks: Soft-landing Initiative**

Lisa Cowey, *Key Expert for Technology Transfer EU4TECH*

**Soft-landing program: Science Technology Park Belgrade**

Jelena Petrovic, *Head of Business Development, Science Technology Park Belgrade*

Q&A

## PARALLEL SESSIONS I (ROOM C)

### ICT, DIGITAL AND ENERGY

From 14:00 to 15:15

**Moderator:** Andrea Basso, *Key Expert for Early Stage Investments, EU4TECH*

**EIT Digital Accelerator**

Jasmina Popovska, *ARISE Country Lead, Hungary*

**EIT Energy**

Nemanja Milovic, *Hub Serbia Representative EIT InnoEnergy, Cleantech Hub Manager Startit*

**ICT Ecosystem development in Armenia**

Jesús Lozano, *EaP ICT Board, Armenia*

Q&A

## PARALLEL SESSIONS II (ROOM A)

### SUPPORTING HARDWARE START-UPS

From 15:30 to 17:00

**Moderator: Milan Banic**, *Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Nis, Serbia*

**Sophia Samadashvili**, *Manager, Techpark Telavi, Georgia*

**Miljana Pekovic**, *Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center Tehnopolis*

**Mladen Kostic**, *INTERA Technology Park Mostar*

**Vesna Mandic**, *Collaborative Training Center of the University of Kragujevac, Serbia*

**Nebojša Bogojevic**, *Laboratory "3D Impulse" Faculty of Mechanical and Civil Engineering in Kraljevo University of Kragujevac*

Q&A

## PARALLEL SESSIONS II (ROOM B)

### SECTOR SPECIFIC INSTRUMENTS

From 15:30 to 17:00

**Moderator: Katarina Kreceva**, *Fund for Innovations and Technology Development North Macedonia*

**Roman Zinchenko**, *Greencubator, Ukraine*

**Dragoljub Gajic**, *SR EBRD Green Voucher Scheme*

**Kosta Andric**, *Managing Partner, ICT HUB Venture Serbia –pre seed investment*

Q&A

## PARALLEL SESSIONS II (ROOM C)

### WESTERN BALKANS SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY PARK DEVELOPMENT: LOCAL INITIATIVES AND POLICY CHALLENGES

From 15:30 to 17:00

**Moderator: Sinisa Marsic**, *Assistant Minister, Ministry for Scientific and Technological Development, Higher Education and Information Society, Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina*

**Dragan Sataric**, *Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development Serbia*

**Velibor Boškovic**, *CEO, Science and Technology Park, Montenegro*

**Jovan Despotovski**, *Director, Fund for Innovation and Technology Development, North Macedonia*

Q&A

# CONCLUSIONS

From 17:00 to 17:15

**Giancarlo Caratti**, *Head of Unit, Directorate-General, Joint Research Centre, European Commission*

**Claudy te Boome**, *Project Director, EU4TECH Western Balkans*



