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Abstract :

The final ISTOK-SOYUZ event defined in the project's Definition of Work coincides with big brokerage event ICT Proposers' Day 2011 to take place in Budapest, 19-20 May and dedicated to Calls 8 and 9 of the Work Programme.

Therefore the project proposed to split the final ISTOK-SOYUZ event in 2 parts.

- Brokerage session (presentation of the teams, competencies, partner search) to deliver at ICT Proposers' Day 2011, 19-20 May 2011; and
- Final project conference to be organized in Moscow after the ICT Proposers' Day on June 7, 2011.

The project supported visit to Budapest 5 representatives of EECA ICT community (Belarus, Ukraine, Russia) and served as proxy, i.e. presented project ideas on behalf of, for ICT researchers from Armenia, Russia and Uzbekistan.

EECA teams submitted 17 technology demands (project ideas) and 25 technology offers.

The results of the project, including presentation of the project involvement in ICT Proposers' Day, have been discussed during the final project conference at the EU Delegation to Russia premises with 58 participants presented both project consortia partners and EECA ICT cluster' partners.

The present document involves both report on ISTOK-SOYUZ participation at ICT Proposers' Day and report on final project conference.

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Abbreviations

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| CA | Central Asia |
| EU | European Union |
| EECA | Eastern Europe and Central Asia |
| FP7 | 7 th Framework Programme |
| ICT | Information and Communication Technologies |
| R&D | Research and Development |
| ETP | European Technology Platform |

1. Introduction

Extract from ISTOK-SOYUZ materials

This event is planned to be organized on M28/29 (exact date is depended on dates of ICT calls). It will present the final project's conclusions and results and also serve as a final Networking and Brokerage event. The project will actively promote this event through different dissemination channels.

Preliminary, the event will include:

- *plenary session (presentation of ISTOK-SOYUZ results, materials, "success stories");*
- *round table with stakeholders (discussion of recommendation on cooperation ICT priorities);*
- ***brokerage session (presentation of the teams and their competencies, partner search).***

The event timing coincides with big brokerage event in the ICT Proposers' Day 2011 that took place in Budapest, 19-20 May and dedicated to Calls 8 and 9 of the Work Programme

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events/ictproposersday/2011/index_en.htm

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- ***Brokerage session (presentation of the teams, competencies, partner search)*** to deliver at ICT Proposers' Day 2011, 19-20 May 2011; and
- ***Plenary session and round table with stakeholders*** to be organized in Moscow after the ICT Proposers' Day (target date: June 7, 2011)

The split of the final ISTOK-SOYUZ event was approved, and this report covers the implementation of the first part of the final ISTOK-SOYUZ event: **Support for ICT specialists from target countries to participate in ICT Proposers' Day 2011 (May 19-20).**

ICT Proposers Day 2011 is the valuable opportunity to promote EECA ICT competencies at the EU level. ISTOK-SOYUZ proposed EECA Cluster partner EXTEND to serve as a proxy for EECA ICT R&D teams at ICT Proposers Day 2011 event, together with ISTOK-SOYUZ. "Proxy" means that partners of ISTOK-SOYUZ and EXTEND would gather information from R&D teams of the target countries, disseminate it at the event, identified interested EU parties and later, after the Proposers Day, launch communication between interested EU parties and corresponding R&D EECA teams.

More specifically, the concept was as following:

1. EECA cluster identifies R&D teams having ideas and willing to participate in ICT Calls 8&9, as well as potential for partnership building.
2. After the R&D teams are identified:
 - a. EECA cluster invites the identified teams to put down their ideas into short teasers.

- b. EECA cluster collects promotional materials from the specified teams,
 - c. And prepares a set of promo materials (e.g., DVD or USB sticks)) for dissemination at the Proposers Day.
3. At the Proposers Day, the partners of the EECA cluster projects perform networking and partner search on behalf of the EECA teams.
 4. After the Proposers Day the partners of EECA cluster projects initiate communication between the EU parties that expressed interest, and the corresponding EECA teams.

The ultimate purpose of this proposal was to benefit from the Proposers Day as much as possible within the limitation of budget and time frame of the EECA cluster.

An example of approach to identify prominent teams was fancied as following:

The EECA cluster had launched the internal call to identify prominent ICT R&D teams for ICT 2010. ISTOK-SOYUZ was responsible for this activity. The results of this activity can be continued, e.g.:

1. Encourage the winners and participant of EECA cluster call to provide ideas for Calls 8&9 that ISTOK-SOYUZ and EXTEND partners will promote at the Proposers Day.
2. Disseminate the information about the Proposers Day and this initiative of the EECA cluster through the personal networks of the partners of EECA clustering projects.

The proposal expected to receive 15-20 ideas/proposals from countries with large ICT community (Belarus, Russia, Ukraine) and 3-5 from the countries with smaller ICT community. However it is not the target, but an indication. The received materials were proposed to be published on EECA portal and DVDs.

This document reports the implementation of the proposal and presents the achieved results.

The ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference presenting the main results of the FP7 project "Information Society Technologies to Open Knowledge for Eastern Europe and Central Asia" (ISTOK-SOYUZ) took place on June 7, 2011 in Delegation of European Union to Russia.

Conference participants were representatives from European Union, Russia, Armenia, Azerbajdzhan Belarus, Kazakhstan, Ukraine from:

- public and private organizations specialized in ICT,
- innovation infrastructure,
- ministries and agencies, policy makers in ICT,
- partnerships' projects.

Conference agenda included presentations and discussions on:

- project results of ISTOK-SOYUZ and clustering projects;
- recommendations on cooperation strategy between the EU and the countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia in the context of the new Digital Agenda for Europe 2020 and national

initiatives, in particular on the development of Russian technology platforms based on European Technology Platforms methodology and experience;

- FP7 success stories coming from project activities;
- methodological and training materials developed in framework of ISTOK-SOYUZ project.

2. Introduction to ICT Proposers' Day 2011

ICT Proposers' Day 2011 is organized every two years by the Information Society and Media Directorate-General of the European Commission promoting Information and Communication Technologies (ICT).

Under the auspices of the Hungarian EU Presidency, the event took place in Budapest at Hungexpo fair Center from 19th to 20th May. The event was dedicated to networking and partnership building for ICT Calls 8 and 9 of the Seventh Framework Programme of the European Commission (FP7), offering more than one billion Euros of EU funding.

Over 2000 participants, mainly from academia, business and government from all EU Member States, Associated and Candidate Countries have attended the event to find a potential partner to build consortia with.

In addition, over 100 Commission officials were present to provide information on the content of the calls for proposals and on how to submit a proposal.

The aim of the event was to prepare for Calls 8 and 9 by networking and partnerships building and by first-hand information from >100 EC officials.

The event structure included four major components:

- thematic sessions with presentations of proposal ideas;
- information stands & meeting points;
- Ideal-IST face-to-face meeting sessions;
- Online networking tools.

The event took place at the Hungexpo Budapest fair center from 12:00 on 19th May until 15:00 on 20th May. The programme mainly consisted of thematic networking sessions with presentations of project ideas by potential proposers. All relevant ICT priorities were covered. Potential project coordinators could present their project idea at the event by responding to the call for presentations.

This event website offers a number of online networking features to help proposers to find partners and to prepare a project proposal for one of the Objectives of the upcoming calls of the ICT priorities of FP7. The online tools were open for submitting profiles, project ideas and other data before opening of ICT Proposers' Day. After the event concluded the web tools are available for search and download of uploaded materials.

The following features are available on the event website:

- **Profiles of potential partners.** When obtaining a logon, users provide information about themselves and their organisation. They can flag their profile as public, so that part of it becomes visible to other users of the event website.
- **Research & technology offers.** Potential partners who would like to participate in a project proposal and who offer their expertise in a specific domain are encouraged to describe their

offer and publish it on the ICT Proposers' Day website. A research & technology offer can be linked to several Objectives, where it can be picked up by potential project coordinators visiting the website.

- **Research & technology demands.** Potential project coordinators or partners that have an idea for a project briefly describe their project idea and indicate which partners with a specific expertise they are looking for to join their project consortium. A research & technology demand is addressed to a well-defined Objective, where it can be consulted by anyone visiting the ICT Proposers' Day website.
- **Presentations.** Potential project coordinators or project partners presented their project idea during one of the networking sessions at the event. The presentations were published online and remain accessible from the website after the event.

The visitors of the event website can browse through all of these features that have been submitted. Registered participants can contact other potential partners.

3. EECA Participation in ICT Proposers' Day

The original idea of promotion of EECA competencies was transformed according to the facilities provided by ICT Proposers' Day. The original intention expressed in the proposal to the EC was "EECA cluster collects promotional materials from the specified teams, and prepares a set of promo materials (e.g., DVD or USB sticks) for dissemination at the Proposers Day."

The concept of disseminating the promo-materials was considered excessive thanks to the rich set of promotional tools provided by the ICT Proposers' Day 2011, especially the online networking facilities. Instead of 'collecting promotional materials' EECA cluster partners stressed on awareness rising of the networking tools of the ICT Proposers' Day 2011 website, with specific stress on "Technology offer" and "Technology Demand" tools.

Another major improvement of the original method was initiative to support the visit of a group of prominent ICT researchers and business leaders to the event. The original plan was to present all project ideas by the experts of the cluster, it did not consider the opportunity to attend the event by the proposers. As ISTOK-SOYUZ partners revisited their remaining budgets it was decided to support 5-8 EECA representatives to visit Budapest and take part in ICT Proposers' Day.

To inform the ICT communities of EECA ISTOK-SOYUZ developed an information letter describing the facilities of the event, including presentation of project ideas, public profiles, publishing technology offers and technology demands. The text of the information letter is attached to this report as Annex 1.

The following table summarizes the list of 51 registered users of ICT Proposers' Day 2011 website who received information about the event through EU-EECA ICT cluster.

| Country | Person |
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| Armenia | ASTSATRYAN, Hrachya (INSTITUTE FOR INFORMATICS AND AUTOMATION PROBLEMS OF NAS RA) |
| | MARGAROV, Gevorg (STATE ENGINEERING UNIVERSITY OF ARMENIA) |
| | SARGSYAN, Rafik (ORBELI INSTITUTE OF PHYSIOLOGY OF ARMENIAN NAS) |
| | VAHRADYAN, Vachagan (RUSSIAN-ARMENIAN (SLAVONIC) UNIVERSITY) |
| Azerbaijan | ADAMOV, Abzetdin (QAFQAZ UNIVERSITY) |
| Belarus | EGOROV, Valery (SAKRAMENT IT) |
| | FILATOV, Serguei (A.V.LUIKOV HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER INSTITUTE) |
| | GOLOVKO, Vladimir (BREST STATE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | KALOSHA, Nikolai (INSTITUTE OF MATHEMATICS/UNITED INSTITUTE OF INFORMATICS PROBLEMS, NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES) |
| | KARPOVICH, Roman (BELARUS STATE ECONOMIC UNIVERSITY) |
| | KOVALEV, Vassili (UNITED INSTITUTE OF INFORMATICS PROBLEMS, BELARUS NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES) |
| | LEBEDEVA, Maryna (MINSK CAPITAL ASSOCIATION OF ENTREPRENEURS AND EMPLOYERS) |
| | LEDCHENKOVA, Irina (YANKA KUPALA STATE UNIVERSITY OF GRODNO) |
| LEVCHENKO, Sergei (JOINT INSTITUTE FOR POWER AND NUCLEAR RESEARCH) | |

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| | MIKLASHEVICH, Ihar (BELARUSIAN NATIONAL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, RESEARCH BRANCH) |
| | PETRENKO, Yury (BELARUSSIAN NATIONAL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | SIACHKO, Liudmila (JLLC "CLABS") |
| | SUDILOVSKAYA, Valeria (BUSINESS ANGELS AND VENTURE INVESTORS NETWORK BAVIN) |
| | VAITUKEVICH, Yury (YANKA KUPALA STATE UNIVERSITY OF GRODNO) |
| Georgia | TSERTSVADZE, Nino (DANTE ALIGHIERI SOCIETY - TBILISI COMMITTEE) |
| Kazakhstan | ALIPOVA, Bakhyt (INTERNATIONAL IT UNIVERSITY) |
| | DIKHANBAYEVA, Zauresh (NATIONAL CENTER FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION) |
| Moldova | BURTSEVA, Liudmila (INSTITUTE OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE) |
| | COJUHARI, Alexandru (U.P.S. "ION CCREANGA") |
| | OBJELEAN, Nicolae (STATE UNIVERSITY OF MOLDOVA) |
| | ZAMSA, Elena (INFORMATION SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE) |
| Russia | CHIRTSOV, Alexander (ST.-PETERSBURG UNIVERSITY) |
| | DURANDIN, Andrew (GEOKOSMOMONITORING LMTD.) |
| | FAIZULLIN, Rashid (OMSK STATE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | KHNYKIN, Ivan (OMSK STATE UNIVERSITY) |
| | KOROVIN, Yakov (NEURAL NETWORK TECHNOLOGIES) |
| | LIVSHITS, Mikhail (SAMARA STATE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | MASLOV, Dmitry (IVANOVO STATE POWER UNIVERSITY) |
| | POZDNYAKOV, Sergey (SAINT-PETERSBURG ELECTROTECHNICAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | SAMSONOVA, Ekaterina (TOMSK POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY) |
| | SHCHUR, Lev (LANDAU INSTITUTE FOR THEORETICAL PHYSICS) |
| | SEME NOV, Yuri (INSTITUTE FOR THEORETICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL PHYSICS) |
| | SHISHKIN, Vadim (ULYANOVSK STATE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | SKOBELEV, Petr (SEC "SMART SOLUTIONS", LTD.) |
| | YATSALO, Boris (NATIONAL RESEARCH NUCLEAR UNIVERSITY IATE MEPHI) |
| Ukraine | GLADUN, Anatoly (INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES AND SYSTEMS NASU OF UKRAINE) |
| | KERNYTSKYI, Andriy (LVIV POLYTECHNICAL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | MAKOVEYCHUK, Christina (DONETSK NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS AND TRADE AFTER M. TUGAN-BARANOVSKY) |
| | MARCHENKO, Oleksandr (NATIONAL TARAS SHEVCHENKO UNIVERSITY OF KYIV) |
| | MATVIYKIV, Oleh (LVIV POLYTECHNICAL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY) |
| | PYLYPENKO, Valeriy (INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH TRAINING CENTER FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SYSTEMS) |
| | SHISHKINA, Maria (INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES AND TOOLS OF LEARNING) |
| | TERESHCHENKO, Vasyi (TARAS SHEVCHENKO NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF KYIV) |
| | TERZIYAN, Vagan (KHARKOV NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF RADIOELECTRONICS) |
| | ZAVADSKYI, Ihor (TARAS SHEVCHENKO NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF KYIV) |
| Uzbekistan | ADILOVA, Fatima (INSTITUTE OF MATHEMATICS&ICT, NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES) |

These participants published 16 Technology Demands and 25 Technology offers:

- Armenia – 4 demands and 1 offer;
- Belarus – 1 demand and 8 offers;

- Moldova – 1 offer;
- Russia – 9 demands and 7 offers;
- Ukraine – 1 demand and 6 offers;
- Uzbekistan – 1 demand.

The number of registered participants from EECA comprised 4 % of the total number of participants. Still EECA teams submitted 11% of the whole number of project ideas published at ICT Proposers' Day website. The ratio between these figures could be interpreted as high motivation and proactive position of EECA teams concerning EU cooperation.

Support of selected proposers. For another big brokerage event, ICT 2010 in Brussels, ISTOK-SOYUZ initiated and implemented internal call for proposals to identify prominent ICT researchers with strong collaboration potential. Unfortunately, ISTOK-SOYUZ and other clustering project were beyond their capabilities to set up a similar activity for ICT Proposers' Day 2011. Therefore it was decided to offer the financial support to the winners of the Internal Call who's competencies matched objectives of Calls 8 and 9. Another important factor was availability of Technology Demand (project idea) to present at the event.

It turned out that the major obstacle on the way to Budapest was obtaining Hungarian visa. Unlike major Shengen states like France or Italy where visa application takes about a week, Hungarian visa typically takes more than a month to apply. For instance, in Russia the electronic queue on visa application in mid-April was scheduled for late May. At the moment of writing this report the electronic queue for was completely booked for 6 weeks ahead. This is the major reason why almost half of the candidates failed to apply for support from EECA-EU ICT cluster. Only owners of active Shengen visas were able to enjoy the visit to Budapest.

The following table lists representatives of EECA ICT community who was supported by ISTOK-SOYUZ project.

| Name | Form of participation | Cooperation results |
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| Lev Shchur, Russia Winner of ISTOK-SOYUZ internal call | Presentation at e-Infrastructure session | 1. Barcelona supercomputing center, 2. Lyublyana University |
| Lev Skobelev, Russia Winner of ISTOK-SOYUZ internal call | Ideal-IST meetings, online networking | 12 contacts, especially mentioned 1. Intelligent Manufacturing Systems, Switzerland 2. Second University of Naples , Italy, 3. Huawei Technologies, France |
| Sergey Pozdnyakov, Russia Winner of ISTOK-SOYUZ internal call | Presentation of a project idea at Objective 8.1 thematic session | 1) Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium 2) CelTech, Germany 3) Prime-Tel, Cyprus 4) University of Zagreb |

| Name | Form of participation | Cooperation results |
|---|--|---|
| Sergey Kilin, Belarus | Ideal-IST sessions | 5 contacts Especially noted: 1. Ulm University Stuttgart University |
| Vagan Terziyan, Ukraine Presenter of Technology Demand | Presented project idea at Objective 1.2 thematic session, Meetings at Ideal-IST sessions | 10 contacts, especially noted 1. Universidad Politecnica de Madrid, 2. MARSEC-XL (Malta), 3. University of Zilina (Slovakia) |

In line with the original intention of the proposed strategy for ICT Proposers' Day experts of EECA-EU ICT cluster acted to promote ICT competencies of EECA ICT teams. ISTOK-SOYUZ made presentations on behalf of the following Technology Demands:

| Name | Objective | Results |
|---|--|---|
| Dmitry Maslov, Russia Winner of ISTOK-SOYUZ internal call | 8.1 Technology-Enhanced Learning | 6 contacts collected |
| Rafik Sargsyan, Armenia Provider of Technology Demand | 5.2 Virtual Physiological Human | 6 contacts collected |
| Fatima Adilova, Uzbekistan Winner of ISTOK-SOYUZ internal call | 1.8 + 1.9 PPP FI - Phase 2: Use Case scenarios & early trials and Capacity Building and Infrastructure Support | Promoted as CA representative into ENVIROFI project |
| Vadim Shishkin, Russia Winner of ISTOK-SOYUZ internal call | 1.2 Cloud Computing, Internet of Services and Advanced Software Engineering | 3 contacts collected |
| Vachagan Vahradyan, Armenia Provider of Technology Demand | 8.2 ICT for access to cultural resources | 4 contacts collected |

After the event ISTOK-SOYUZ team contacted the EECA participants of ICT Proposers' Day 2011 to collect their feedback. The feedback form is attached as Annex 2.

4. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference – preparation stage

Key target groups for the final conference were identified as: representatives from European Union, project EECA target countries: Russia, Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Ukraine, clustering project EXTEND from public and private organizations specialized in ICT, innovation infrastructure, ministries and agencies, policy makers in ICT, partnerships' projects.

Main topics for presentations and discussion were defined as:

- project results of ISTOK-SOYUZ and clustering projects;
- recommendations on cooperation strategy between the EU and the countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia in the context of the new Digital Agenda for Europe 2020
- National ICT initiatives, in particular on the Russian academy of science (RAS) ICT R&D program and priorities, current Russian government initiative on Russian technology platforms development based on EU ETPs experience;
- FP7 success stories coming from project activities;
- methodological and training materials developed in framework of ISTOK-SOYUZ project.

These pre-identified topics have been converted into the Final conference agenda (see Annex 3)

Wide Information campaign on final conference has been conducted both in EECA countries and EU

Information campaign included:

- preparation and dissemination of the ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference Information letter (see Annex 7.5 – Russian and English versions, see electronic version here: http://www.istok-soyuz.eu/istok-soyuz_final%20event_%20infoletter_eng.pdf),
- announcement on the ISTOK-SOYUZ web site (<http://www.istok-soyuz.eu/index.php/component/content/article/37-news/132-istok-soyuz-organises-its-final-conference-presenting-the-project-results-in-moscow-on-june-7-2011>),
- partners' web sites announcements (web sites of the Russian Technology Transfer Network - RTTN, Belarus RCTT, Kharkov incubator, Gate2RuBIN (Enterprise Europe Network – Russia)),
- information in RTTN's Newsletter "Transfer and commercialization of technologies" (in Russian), N13, April, 2011 – electronic and printed version (see electronic version here: http://www.rtt.ru/newsrttn/id_995),
- direct personal mailing and direct contacts (by phone, during related events, etc.)
- distribution through the databases of partners and ISTOK-SOYUZ Competence Platform.

It was two stages process – first mailing with infoletter, second one – with infoletter and detailed agenda.

Feedback questionnaire

Special questionnaire was prepared and disseminated during the event to receive feedback from participants (general evaluation of ISTOK-SOYUZ project and results, priority tasks for EU-EECA R&D cooperation, ISTOK-SOYUZ Final event estimation, etc.) – see Section 6 of the Report for feedback analysis and Annex 7.6 - example of questionnaire form.

5. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference

On June 7, 2011 Final ISTOK-SOYUZ conference was held at the EU Delegation to Russia. This conference was implemented with the active support of the Delegation and personally **Manuel Hallen**, *Minister Counsellor, S&T* who also made the presentation on ETP experience during the event.



The conference attracted big interest from ICT community and target groups selected. 81 people confirmed their participation at the event (see Annex 4) and in total 58 people attended according to the statistics below.

Consortium members – 10 (17%)
 Clustering and partnering projects representatives, NCPs – 8 (14%)
 European and EECA countries stakeholders - 20 (34%) (EU– 4, Russia – 14, Ukraine – 1, Belarus – 1)
 Russian ICT - oriented research organizations, universities, SMEs, Associations, Technology platforms representatives – 17 (29%)
 Mass-media – 1
 EU countries Embassies in Moscow – 2

The conference started with welcome words by representatives from:

- EU Delegation in Russia - **Manuel Hallen**, *Minister Counsellor, S&T*
- RF Ministry of Economy - **Artem Shadrin**, *Head of the Department of Strategic Management and Budgeting.*





Mr. Shadrin is the main stakeholder in the Russian government programs of creation the Russian technology platforms. He welcomed the project activities connected with integration of EECA ICT organizations into ETPs and expressed big interest to the possible coordination of ICT-oriented ETPs and RTPs activities

Russian Academy of Science, - **Vladimir Ivanov**, *Deputy General Scientific Secretary of RAS Presidium*

Mr. Ivanov was involved in previous ISTOK.RU project, being project consortium partner representative and also active in ISTOK-SOYUZ activities.

In the table below one can find the short structure/content of presentations made. In addition some important Q&A following the presentations is presented here.

The full pack of presentations is available from ISTOK-SOYUZ web site and also from RTTN site.

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|  | <p>ISTOK-SOYUZ and Partnering projects results, recommendations for the EU-EECA collaboration</p> <p>Main objectives of the international cooperation for the EU in the ICT field. ISTOK-SOYUZ – general information and objectives. ISTOK-SOYUZ as a part of the EECA ICT Cluster. General information on the EECA ICT Cluster. ISTOK-SOYUZ key outcomes. List of ISTOK-SOYUZ main results. ICT Priorities for EU-EECA ICT Cooperation. ICT R&D Critical mass distribution in the EECA countries. Recommendations.</p> <p>Question (Manuel Hallen): “What does it mean - Set up “State Task Force for a more effective international cooperation in research”? (in Recommendations) Answer: “It not means to establish special formal state authority. It means – to involve more peoples in work process, to set up joint workgroup to discuss experience, differences... to create an effective mechanism for information exchange.”</p> |
| <p>Svetlana Klessova, project coordinator</p> | <p>EXTEND: consultation process and the main findings for the EECA countries</p> <p>EXTEND at a glance. Objectives. Development of recommendations on future ICT research co-operation (brief description of process and procedures). Results – lists of R&D priorities for 2010-2015 in Belarus, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Moldova, Armenia, and Georgia. Comments. Problems identified.</p> |
|  <p>Tofiq Babayev, Azerbaijan ICT NCP</p> | <p>EXTEND: FP7 Help Desk and its services</p> <p>The Help-Desk Objectives and Services. Help-Desk at the cluster portal, http://www.eeca-ict.eu. Interface. How to submit a question. Proposal preparation support. Preliminary evaluation of proposal ideas. Coaching proposers to approach the Commission. Promotion tools. Some results of the Help Desk use (statistical analysis). Sustainability plan.</p> |
|  <p>Tatyana Lyadnova, Belarus ICT NCP</p> | <p>Support to the ICT R&D EECA countries teams: ISTOK-SOYUZ experience</p> <p>Goal and tasks of the hands-on support activity, definitions. Target groups and Tools for identification of EECA teams. Hands-on support – components. Results and Follow-up (numbers by countries – supported teams, partnerships established, proposals submitted (FP7 ICT Calls and others) and teams included, proposals under preparation). Lessons learnt and recommendations for increasing number of good proposals (quality of proposals).</p> |
|  <p>Gennady Pilnov, Executive director, RTTN</p> | <p>Comment (Svetlana Klessova): “In general, Russian research teams are relatively weakly prepared for participation in FP7 and it was important to select most prepared ones to achieve good results. It takes a lot of time to explain well known (as compared for EU teams) things about FP7... to get right focus... “</p> <p>Success stories of EECA teams in FP7 ICT R&D project:</p> |

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| <p><i>Representative of organization getting support from ISTOK-SOYUZ</i></p> | <p>Maria Zhdanova, Manager-researcher, Laboratory of Network Technologies, Ltd. ISTOK-SOYUZ Hands-on support to ICT team of the Laboratory of Network Technologies, Ltd.</p> <p>Lev Shchur, Landau Institute, Chernogolovka Information technology and computer science: infrastructure for collaborative environment</p> |
|  <p>Nikolay Pakulin, ISPRAS</p> | <p>EECA ICT teams in Proposers' day, Budapest: the lessons learnt ICT Proposers' Day 2011 – general information. Networking Facilities – presentations of project ideas at the thematic sessions, Ideal-IST sessions (face-to-face meetings - brokerage), Networking zone – free discussions. EECA Participation in ICT Proposers' Day – statistics by countries. Lessons learnt.</p> |
|  <p>Dr. Manuel Hallen, Minister Counsellor, S&T, EU Delegation to the RF</p> | <p>The role of ICT oriented European Technology platforms in EU R&D landscape formation European Technology Platforms (ETPs) – definition and objectives, connection with Lisbon strategy and Framework Programmes. ETPs as dialogue between industry, public research sector and government. ETPs and S&T funding instruments (JTIs, PPPs etc.). How ETPs work. Individual ETPs in 5 Areas (Energy, ICT, Bio-based economy, Production and processes, Transport). Results evaluation study 2009. Follow-up to evaluation study (recommendations for further development). ETPs evolving.</p> |
|  <p>Alexander Petrenko, Representative of RTP in ICT sphere</p> | <p>New initiative on Russian Technology Platforms creation. Example of ICT RTP initiative and prospects of EU-RU cooperation between RTP and relevant European Technology Platforms Russian Technology Platforms (RTPs) – background and objectives. State support and priorities. Current list of RTPs and current problems. 3 RTPs in ICT area. ETPs and RTPs relations (matching topics in ICT area – potential for cooperation).</p> <p>Question (Marat Biktimirov): “Supercomputers Technology Platform was created in Russia. Is there similar platform in the EU?” Answer (Nikolay Pakulin): “No. But there are PRASE project in which almost all main actors in supercomputer area are involved”.</p> <p>Question (Manuel Hallen): “Who are participants of RTPs?” Answer (Alexander Petrenko): “universities, R7D institutes, industry, state authorities... RTP’s Coordinator is, as a rule, large organizations like Russian state corporations”.</p> <p>Question (Manuel Hallen): “ETP’s and RTPs have different priorities...” Answer (Alexander Petrenko): “It is just first stage. When RTPs will define their priorities, expected, they will try to synchronize them with ETPs priorities...”</p> <p>Question (Alexander Uspensky): “Activity of many ETPs decreased in 2-3 years after elaborating Vision and SRA. Is there any mechanism for further support for ETPs?” Answer (Manuel Hallen): “There no direct EC funding for support of ETPs activities. ETPs should become self-sustainable through their SRA and Action Plans, using such instruments as JTI, PPP and other”.</p> <p>Question (Alexander Uspensky): “What are main results of ETPs? How are their work estimated?”</p> |

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| | <p>Answer (Svetlana Klessova): “Among main results of ETPS – Strategic Research Agenda (SRA) and Action Plan (and further projects and initiatives). Several ETPs still used as a place for discussins (for example, ARTEMIS). ETPs elaborate priorities for FP7”.</p> |
|  <p>Dr. Vladimir Ivanov, RAS Presidium</p> | <p>Priorities of the Russian Academy of Sciences R&D centers in ICT R&D and role of EU-RU cooperation</p> <p>Main sources for priorities (documents). Lists of priorities related to ICT. Participation of Russian R&D organizations in FP7 (ICT). EU-RU cooperation under ERA.Net RUS project”</p> <p>Comment (Svetlana Klessova): “Several winners of the ISTOK-SOYUZ internal call will participate in ERA.Net RUS calls for joint projects”.</p> |
|  <p>Dr. Marat Biktimirov, Director, The national association of research and educational e-Infrastructures “e-ARENA”</p> | <p>New EU EECA initiative on Bringing ICT Policy dialogue to an Upper level for Reinforced EU-EECA Cooperation.</p> <p>PICTURE (Policy dialogue in ICT to an Upper level for Reinforced EU-EECA Cooperation) project – objectives, geographical coverage. Relation to Istok-Ru and ISTOK-SOYUZ projects. PICTURE activities - response to international cooperation needs. Awareness raising and dissemination.</p> |
| <p>Anton Yanovsky, Team Leader, EEN-Russia</p> | <p>The role of innovative infrastructure in EECA R&D teams support for participation in EU R&D programs; example of Enterprise Europe Network – Russia</p> <p>Enterprise Europe Network: Key facts & figures. Russia in Enterprise Europe Network. Typical Problems – Role of Infrastructure (providing support on participation in FP7). EEN tools for ISTOK-SOYUZ. Sustainability (EEN – Russia activities). Gate2RuBIN results - 2008-2010.</p> |
|  <p>Jean-Charles Point, JCP Consult, France</p> | <p>The opportunities of the next FP7 ICT Calls in 2011-2012. Future of EU R&D programme “after FP7”</p> <p>FP7 in R&D landscape. ICT in FP7 - Where do we stand? Instruments. Programme Objectives. FP7/ICT Programme Structure. ICT Call 8. Summary of call 7/8/9/PPP. FI-PPP: Programme Architecture. Europe 2020: three interlinked priorities and seven flagship initiatives. A Digital Agenda for Europe The Research & Innovation Pillar. On our way to FP8.. Possible outcomes. Technology platforms. Some recommendations.</p> |

Photos from the Event

See Annex 7.7.

6. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference – feedback

Special questionnaire was prepared and disseminated during the event to receive feedback from participants (general evaluation of ISTOK-SOYUZ project and results, priority tasks for EU-EECA R&D cooperation, ISTOK-SOYUZ Final event estimation, etc.) – see also Annex 7.6 for example of questionnaire form.

Total number - 22 filled questionnaires have been collected. The results of the feedback analysis (in %) see below.

1. Estimation of ISTOK-SOYUZ efficiency and results

(score from 1 to 5, higher is better. In table below percentage of each score are presented. The last column “-” means that respondent has the difficulty in answering)

| ISTOK-SOYUZ activities directions | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | - |
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| Definition of priorities for R&D cooperation between EU and EECA countries in ICT area | 0 | 4,5 | 0 | 36 | 45 | 13,5 |
| Awareness raising of EECA researchers on FP7 and other EU R&D Programmes | 0 | 0 | 4,5 | 27 | 58,5 | 9 |
| Hands-on support of research teams from EECA (on participation in FP7) | 0 | 0 | 4,5 | 31,5 | 54 | 9 |
| Increasing of visibility of EECA research teams in the EU | 0 | 0 | 13,5 | 27 | 49,5 | 9 |
| Development of training guides on participation in FP7 | 0 | 0 | 4,5 | 18 | 63 | 13,5 |

2. Estimation of relative importance of different priorities for development of R&D cooperation between the EU and EECA countries in ICT area.

(score from 1 to 5, higher is better. In table below percentage of each score are presented)

| Priorities | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | - |
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| Harmonization of R&D priorities in the EU and EECA countries | 0 | 0 | 13,5 | 36 | 36 | 13,5 |
| Increasing of visibility of EECA research teams competences in the EU | 0 | 0 | 13,5 | 36 | 45 | 4,5 |
| Strengthening of infrastructure for support of participation of EECA research teams in FP7 and other EU R&D Programmes | 0 | 0 | 4,5 | 27 | 58,5 | 9 |
| Development of information and methodology materials on issues connected with participation in FP7 and other EU R&D Programmes | 0 | 4,5 | 4,5 | 22,5 | 63 | 4,5 |
| Further integration of the EU and EECA countries national structures for support of R&D and innovations (ICT associations, technology platforms, networks, etc.) | 4,5 | 0 | 27 | 18 | 36 | 13,5 |

3. General evaluation of ISTOK-SOYUZ efficiency in terms of strengthening of R&D cooperation between the EU and EECA countries in ICT area

(score from 1 to 5, higher is better. Percentage of each score are presented below)

5 - 58,5%, 4 – 22,5%, 3 – 0%, 2 – 0%, 1 – 0%, N/A – 18,2%

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4. Did you receive ISTOK-SOYUZ Information Newsletters and how can you estimate their content quality?

good – 72%, average – 4,5%, bad - 0%, I didn't receive ISTOK-SOYUZ Newsletters – 23,5%

5. Would you like to be involved in future activities on R&D cooperation between the EU and EECA countries in ICT area and/or receive information on them?

Yes - 95,5%, No – 4,5%

6. Evaluation of organization level of the ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference

high – 91%, average - 9%, low – 0%

7. Appendixes

7.1. Annex 1. Information Letter About ICT Proposers' Day

This annex presents the information letter that ISTOK-SOYUZ and other projects of EECA-ICT cluster disseminated in EECA cluster.

ICT Proposers Day 2011

Информационное письмо

Уважаемые коллеги,

информируем Вас о том, что **19-20 мая в Будапеште**, Венгрия, пройдет конференция «ICT Proposer Day 2011». Основное назначение мероприятия – содействовать установлению контактов и создания партнерских отношений для участия в восьмом и девятом конкурсах проектов по направлению «Информационные и коммуникационные технологии» Седьмой Рамочной программы ЕС (7РП ЕС). Совокупный объем финансирования этих конкурсов превышает 1 миллиард евро.

Тематические сессии, посвященные Рабочей программе 2011-12 по исследованиям в области ИКТ с презентациями идей проектов, встречи с представителями Европейской Комиссии и информационные стенды помогут вам создать консорциумы для проектов 7РП ЕС и получить необходимую информацию.

Организаторы конференции ожидают 2,500 участников из академических кругов, бизнесменов и чиновников из всех стран ЕС.

ИКТ-кластер EU-EECA (<http://www.eeca-ict.eu>) приглашает Вас к участию в «ICT Proposer Day 2011». На конференции будут присутствовать более 100 представителей Европейской Комиссии, которые будут представлять актуальную информацию о Рабочей программе по направлению «Информационные и коммуникационные технологии», содержании предстоящих конкурсов и давать ценные рекомендации по вопросам подготовки и подачи проектных заявок.

Формы участия в ICT Proposer's Day

Организаторы предлагают несколько форм участия в ICT Proposer's Day. Прежде всего, это очное участие в конференции. В рамках ICT Proposers Day запланированы сессии для каждого из направлений, которые будут финансироваться в предстоящих конкурсах по ИКТ Седьмой Рамочной программы. На сессиях представители Еврокомиссии, курирующие соответствующие направления, дадут разъяснения по поводу задач, поставленных в Рабочей Программе по ИКТ, требований к ожидаемым результатам проектов и ответят на вопросы аудитории. Кроме того, запланирована возможность коротких презентаций идей проектов участниками конференции для поиска потенциальных партнеров и образования консорциума. Участники конференции могут участвовать в любых сессиях, кроме того, очное участие в конференции дает уникальную возможность представить свои идеи и найти партнеров для подготовки предложений на следующие конкурсы по ИКТ. Зарегистрироваться для участия в ICT Proposer's Day можно на веб-сайте мероприятия:

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events/ictproposersday/2011/register/index_en.htm

Помимо очного участия в ICT Proposer's Day поддерживаются несколько механизмов размещения информации о своих компетенциях (ICT Technology Offers) и идеях проектов (ICT Technology Demand) на веб-сайте мероприятия. Для размещения информации о своих ИКТ компетенциях или идеях

проектов необходимо зарегистрироваться на сайте и создать профиль участника мероприятия. Обратите внимание, размещение информации на веб-сайте ICT Proposer's Day возможно только для зарегистрированных пользователей!

Веб-сайт ICT Proposer's Day предоставляет набор форм для поиска идей проектов или требуемых ИКТ-компетенций на странице

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events/ictproposersday/2011/networking/index_en.htm

Сообщение о ИКТ-компетенциях или идее проекта можно подкрепить презентацией в формате PowerPoint или сопроводительными документами: вы можете загрузить до 5 документов общим объемом до 10 мегабайт. На веб-сайте ICT Proposer's Day опубликовано подробное руководство по размещению информации на сайте мероприятия:

http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events/ictproposersday/2011/networking/docs/how2networksmall.pps

Но и это ещё не всё! В рамках ICT Proposer's Day пройдет сессия проекта Ideal-IST. Проект Ideal-IST предлагает вам составить индивидуальный график встреч на конференции ICT Proposer's Day. Воспользовавшись инструментами Ideal-IST вы можете найти людей, с которыми хотели бы встретиться, и согласовать с ними время и место встречи на конференции, чтобы максимизировать полезный эффект от участия в ICT Proposer's Day. Подробности об инструментах Ideal-IST опубликованы на сайте проекта

<http://www.ideal-ist.net/news/ict-proposers-day-2011-with-pre-arranged-face2face-meetings>

Поддержка со стороны кластера EЕCA-ICT

Кластер EЕCA -ICT готов помочь вам принять участие в ICT Proposer's Day. Если вы собираетесь поехать в Будапешт и непосредственно участвовать в конференции, мы можем помочь с регистрацией на конференцию, получением визы в Венгрию, выбором гостиницы в Будапеште. Мы можем помочь вам с выбором сессий и подготовкой презентации, если вы собираетесь представить на ICT Proposer's Day идею проекта для Рамочной программы.

Если же вы хотите разместить информацию о своих компетенциях или идее проекта на сайте ICT Proposer's Day, то специалисты кластера EЕCA-ICT могут поделиться с вами опытом участия в подобных мероприятиях и подготовить выигрышную заявку, которая привлечет внимание участников конференции.

Кроме того, специалисты кластера EЕCA-ICT могут выступить на ICT Proposer's Day в роли ваших представителей. Именно, по согласованию с вами представители EЕCA-ICT могут выступить от вашего имени на сессиях ICT Proposers Day, а так же распространять информацию о ваших компетенциях среди участников конференции. Для выбора подходящих сессий и согласования презентаций и описаний компетенций пожалуйста обращайтесь к эксперту проекта ISTOK-SOYUZ Николаю Пакулину по электронной почте npak@ispras.ru или по телефону +7 916 173-8379

Темы конференции

Направление 1: Повсеместные и высоконадежные сети и инфраструктура услуг

1.1 Интернет следующего поколения

1.2 Облачные вычисления, сервисы в сети Интернет, разработка программного обеспечения

1.4 Защищенные информационные и коммуникационные технологии

1.6 Удаленное проведение экспериментов и использование удаленных экспериментальных установок в научных исследованиях

1.8 + 1.9: Прикладные распределенные системы и Инфраструктурные проекты

Направление 2 - Когнитивные системы и роботика

2.1 Когнитивные системы и роботика

Направление 3 - Системная инженерия и элементная база вычислительных систем

3.1 Проектирование, разработка и технологии производства нанoeлектронных компонентов

3.2 Интеллектуальные компоненты и интеграция интеллектуальных систем

3.5 Фотоника; разрядная фотоника.

Направление 4 – Технологии управления данными и цифровой обработки естественных языков

4.3 Хранение данных

4.4 Интеллектуальное управление данными

Направление 5 - Информационные технологии в здравоохранении, для поддержки пожилых людей и государственного управления

5.2 Виртуальные физиологические модели человека

Направление 6 - Энергетика

6.1 Интеллектуальные электрические сети

6.3 Управление водными ресурсами

6.5 Генерация электроэнергии в домовладениях

6.7 Оптимизация потребления топлива транспортом

6.8 Электромобили

Направление 7 - ИКТ для промышленности и производства

7.1 Интеллектуальные производства: оптимизация энергопотребления, ускорение производства и адаптация

7.2 Технологии производства OLAЕ устройств.

Направление 8 - Образовательные технологии

8.1 Обучающие информационные технологии

8.2 Виртуальные музеи

Перспективные и зарождающиеся технологии (Future and Emerging Technologies, FET)

9.1 Принципиально новые способы представления и обработки информации

9.2 Высокотехнологичные малые предприятия

9.3 Молодые исследователи

9.4 Международное сотрудничество в области «Перспективные и зарождающиеся технологии»

9.6 FET Proactive: Специализированные и аналоговые методы обработки информации

9.7 FET Proactive: Динамика многоуровневых сложных систем

9.8 FET Proactive: Минимизация энергопотребления в вычислительных системах

9.9 FET Proactive: Квантовые методы обработки информации

9.10 FET Proactive: Теория взаимодействующих адаптивных систем

9.11 FET Proactive: Био-подобные системы обработки информации

7.2. Annex 2. EECA Participant's of ICT Proposers' Day 2011 FEEDBACK FORM

EECA Participant's of ICT Proposers' Day 2011 FEEDBACK FORM

Dear EECA participants of ICT Proposers' Day 2011. We are very interested in your assessment of this event and request that you share your reactions and ideas.

Your feedback will be used in planning future EU-EECA ICT cluster activities.

Please, fill in and send this form to e-mail: npak@ispras.ru

Thank you for completing this feedback.

1. Q. How did you find out about the ICT Proposers' Day 2011?

- An.: On EECA portal (<http://www.eeca-ict.eu>)
- An.: On Information Society portal of EC (http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/events)
- An.: From information materials distributed EU-EECA ICT cluster partners in my country
- An.: I received personal invitation from EU-EECA ICT cluster
- An.: Other source (please, specify):

2. Q. Please state the main reasons you attended the ICT Proposers' Day 2011. What were your primary objectives for attending this event?

An.:

3. Q. How would you evaluate information and organization supports from EU-EECA ICT cluster in order to be well prepared for ICT Proposers' Day 2011?

| | Very good | Good | Neither good nor bad | Poor | Very Poor | N/A |
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| Information support | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Organization support | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you have any recommendations / suggestions to EU-EECA cluster, please, specify:

4. Q. Did you elaborate detail plan for your participation in ICT 2010?

- An.: Yes, we had such plan:
- We had preliminary contacts with our EU partners to meet during ICT Proposers' Day 2011
 - We scheduled participation in Networking sessions
 - We scheduled participation in Ideal-IST Networking sessions
 - We prepared promotion materials about our team competences and project ideas (presentations, booklets, etc.)
- An.: No, we had no plan

5. Q. In your opinion were the ICT Proposers' Day 2011 activities and programme on the whole useful and interesting for your practice / research / work?

Certainly, YES

Neither YES nor NO

Neither NO nor YES

NO

N/A

6. Q. Did you promote your team /project ideas in the framework of the event?

An.: Yes (please, specify how):

An.: No

7. Q. How many contacts have you established with your potential partners from EU and/or EECA countries? Please provide more detailed info on 2-3 promising partnerships for the future FP7 consortia/applications

An.:

8. Q. Did the event meet your primary objectives?

YES

Neither YES nor NO

Neither NO nor YES

NO

N/A

9. Q. What support do you need from EU-EECA ICT cluster for evolution established contacts and participation in ICT FP7 Work Programme?

An.:

7.3. Annex 3. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference – Agenda

ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference - Agenda

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| 9:00 -9:30 | Registration and welcome coffee |
| 9:30 – 10:00 | Opening Session |
| | <p>Introduction and welcome words.</p> <p>Representatives of the</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>EU Delegation in Russia</u> - Manuel Hallen, Minister Counsellor, S&T ○ <u>RF Ministry of Economy</u> - Artem Shadrin, Head of the Department of Strategic Management and Budgeting ○ <u>Russian Academy of Science</u>, - Vladimir Ivanov, Deputy General Scientific Secretary of RAS Presidium ○ <u>RF Ministry of Education and Science</u>, - Igor Protsenko, Head of the Department of International Integration |
| 10:00 – 11:30 | Main ISTOK-SOYUZ and Partnering projects results. Project assessment by the stakeholders. Success stories |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | ISTOK-SOYUZ and Partnering projects results, recommendations for the EU-EECA collaboration. <i>Svetlana Klessova, project coordinator</i> |
| 10:30 – 10:40 | EXTEND : consultation process and the main findings for the EECA countries <i>Tofiq Babayev, Azerbaijan ICT NCP</i> |
| 10:40 – 10:50 | EXTEND : FP7 Help Desk and its services <i>Tatyana Lyadnova, Belarus ICT NCP,</i> |
| 10:50 – 11:05 | Support to the ICT R&D EECA countries teams: ISTOK-SOYUZ experience <i>Gennady Pilnov, Executive director, RTTN</i> |
| 11:05 – 11:20 | Success story of EECA team in FP7 ICT R&D project <i>Representative of organization getting support from ISTOK-SOYUZ</i> |
| 11:20 – 11:35 | EECA ICT teams in Proposers' day, Budapest: the lessons learnt <i>Nikolay Pakulin, ISPRAS</i> |
| 11:35 – 12:00 | Coffee Break |
| 12:00 – 13:30 | Session 2. Perspectives of EU-Russia/EECA cooperation in ICT R&D |
| 12:00 – 12:15 | The role of ICT oriented European Technology platforms in EU R&D landscape formation <i>Dr Manuel Hallen, Minister Counsellor, S&T, EU Delegation to the RF</i> |
| 12:15 – 12:30 | New initiative on Russian Technology Platforms creation. Example of ICT RTP initiative and prospects of EU-RU cooperation between RTP and relevant European Technology Platforms <i>Alexander Petrenko, Representative of RTP in ICT sphere</i> |
| 12:30 – 12:45 | Priorities of the Russian Academy of Sciences R&D centers in ICT R&D and role of EU-RU cooperation <i>Dr Vladimir Ivanov, RAS Presidium</i> |
| 12:45 – 13:00 | New EU EECA initiative on Bringing ICT Policy dialogue to an Upper level for Reinforced EU-EECA Cooperation. <i>Dr Marat Biktimirov, Director, The national association of research and educational e-Infrastructures "e-ARENA"</i> |
| 13:00 – 13:15 | The role of innovative infrastructure in EECA R&D teams support for participation in EU R&D programs; example of Enterprise Europe Network –Russia <i>Anton Yanovsky, Team Leader, EEN-Russia</i> |

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| 13.15 – 13:40 | The opportunities of the next FP7 ICT Calls in 2011-2012. Future of EU R&D programme “after FP7” <i>Jean-Charles Point, JCP Consult, France</i> |
| 13:40 – 14:00 | Comments, questions and answers |
| 14:00 | Lunch |

7.4. Annex 4. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference – Participants

Total number of registered participants – 81,

Total number of participants presented on event – 58.

List of ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference registered participants

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8.1. Annex 5. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference – Information Letter

Information Letter (English version)

Project Final Event
Information letter

The final conference presenting the main results of the FP7 project "Information Society Technologies to Open Knowledge for Eastern Europe and Central Asia" (ISTOK-SOYUZ) will be held on June 7, 2011 in Delegation of European Union to Russia

The **ISTOK-SOYUZ** Project www.istok-soyuz.eu - a special support action co-funded by the FP7 ICT programme of the European Commission - was initiated by eight partners from seven countries (**Germany, France, Russia, Belarus, Ukraine, Armenia and Kazakhstan**).

From the start on 1 January 2009, ISTOK-SOYUZ project:

- promoted the **EU ICT** programme, raised awareness about benefits of mutual collaboration and identify **ICT landscape and potential for R&D ICT collaboration** between European Union and 12 addressed countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA);
- expanded **EU-Russian ICT research community** to 4 targeted countries (Ukraine, Belarus, Armenia and Kazakhstan) through opening the FP6 ISTOK project' competence platform to these countries and implementing pilot actions, as well as networking & brokerage events aiming to increase visibility of cooperation opportunities;
- provided support for more than **100 teams** from targeted countries, which led to **25 FP7 ICT proposals** submitted jointly with researchers from Europe.

The project activities have been done in collaboration with national stakeholders and other relevant co-operation projects in order to exploit synergies and maximize the impact.

Clustering approach www.eeca-ict.eu/ involving two other **FP7 projects** started in parallel with ISTOK-SOYUZ - **SCUBE-ICT and EXTEND** – has been applied (in particular for the specific activities in Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Ukraine), in order to increase the benefit for the joint EU – EECA research from the support actions of three projects.

Conference participants will be representatives from European Union, Russia, Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Ukraine from

- public and private organizations specialized in ICT,
- innovation infrastructure,
- ministries and agencies, policy makers in ICT,
- partnerships' projects.

Conference agenda will include

- project results of ISTOK-SOYUZ and clustering projects;
- recommendations on cooperation strategy between the EU and the countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia in the context of the new **Digital Agenda for Europe 2020** and national initiatives, in particular on the development of **Russian technology platforms**;
- FP7 success stories coming from project activities;
- methodological and training materials developed in framework of ISTOK-SOYUZ project.

Date and time: June 7, 2011, 10:00 - 14:00

Place: Delegation of European Union to Russia (Moscow, Kadashevskaya naberezhnaya, 14/1)

ISTOK-SOYUZ Conference organising committee

Information Letter (Russian version)

Финальное мероприятие проекта ISTOK-SOYUZ

Информационное письмо

7 июня 2011 г. в здании Представительства Европейского Союза в России состоится заключительная конференция, на которой будут представлены основные результаты проекта ISTOK-SOYUZ - «Технологии информационного общества – путь к открытому знанию для Восточной Европы и Центральной Азии», финансирувавшегося Европейским Союзом.

Проект **ISTOK-SOYUZ** был инициирован партнерами из семи стран – **Германии, Франции, России, Беларуси, Украины, Армении и Казахстана** – с целью выявления приоритетов и механизмов сотрудничества между европейскими исследователями и исследователями из стран Восточной Европы и Средней Азии в области информационно-коммуникационных технологий (ИКТ).

В течение 30 месяцев проект **ISTOK-SOYUZ**, стартовавший в январе 2009 года,

- активно **продвигал ИКТ – программу 7РП**, повышая информированность о преимуществах взаимного сотрудничества
- проанализировал **потенциал и выработал рекомендации** для научно-технической кооперации между ЕС и странами Восточной Европы и Средней Азии;
- предоставил исследователям из Армении, Беларуси, Казахстана, России и Украины возможность регистрации на созданной в рамках проекта **платформе компетенций**, содействовал интеграции исследовательских организаций в **Европейские технологические платформы**, повысив тем самым **информационную открытость** перспективных команд для установления прямых контактов;
- **обеспечил прямую поддержку более 50 командам** исследователей, которые привели к инициированию **22 проектных заявок** в консорциумах с европейскими исследователями по ИКТ-тематике в 7РП.

Одновременно с проектом **ISTOK-SOYUZ** Европейская Комиссия поддержала 2 других проекта - **SCUBE-ICT и EXTEND** - с близкими целями и географией реализации (за исключением России, где действовал только ISTOK-SOYUZ). Эти 3 партнерских проекта использовали кластерный подход, основанный на тесном сотрудничестве, что дало преимущества для исследователей всех целевых стран.

Участие в конференции примут **представители из ЕС, России, Армении, Беларуси, Казахстана и Украины**

- государственных и частных организаций, специализирующихся в сфере ИКТ,
- инновационной инфраструктуры;
- министерств и ведомств, определяющих политику в сфере ИКТ

- партнерских проектов

На конференции будут представлены (см. программу конференции на английском языке ниже):

- результаты проекта ISTOK-SOYUZ и партнерских проектов;
- рекомендации по стратегии сотрудничества между ЕС и странами Восточной Европы и Средней Азии в контексте новой Цифровой Стратегии ЕС 2020 (**Digital Agenda for Europe**) и национальных инициатив, в частности, по развитию российских технологических платформ;
- истории успеха, связанные с созданием партнерств с командами из ЕС для реализации проектов 7РП;

- разработанные в рамках проекта методические материалы.

Дата и время проведения: 7 июня 2011, 9.30 - 14:00

Место проведения: Представительство Европейского Союза в России (Москва, Кадашевская набережная, 14/1)

Язык конференции: английский и русский, синхронный перевод

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8.2. Annex 6. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference – Feedback Questionnaire

Example of the Feedback Questionnaire (only in Russian):

АНКЕТА

Уважаемый участник финальной конференции проекта ISTOK-SOYUZ!
 Для проекта очень важно получить от Вас обратную связь и узнать Ваше мнение относительно результатов проекта и его эффективности. Пожалуйста, ответьте на вопросы анкеты.

3. Как бы Вы оценили работу проекта по различным направлениям ?

(Поставьте оценку по каждому направлению от 1 до 5, больше – лучше. Укажите « - », если затрудняетесь ответить)

| Направление работ ISTOK-SOYUZ | Оценка (от 1 до 5) |
|--|--------------------|
| Определение приоритетов сотрудничества между ЕС и странами ЕЕЕСА ¹ в области R&D ИКТ | |
| Повышение информированности исследователей из стран ЕЕЕСА о научных программах ЕС (в частности, о 7РП) | |
| Поддержка команд из ЕЕЕСА для участия в научных программах ЕС (в частности, в 7РП) – общая подготовка к участию, поиск партнеров, помощь в интеграции в консорциумы, консультационная поддержка. | |
| Повышение информационной открытости («visibility») команд из стран ЕЕЕСА в Европе (через платформу компетенций, вовлечение организаций из ЕЕЕСА стран в европейские технологические платформы и т.п.) | |
| Подготовка практических руководств по участию в научных программах ЕС | |

4. Оцените важность следующих направлений дальнейшего развития научного сотрудничества между ЕС и ЕЕЕСА.

(Используйте шкалу от 1 до 5 (больше – важнее) . Укажите « - », если затрудняетесь ответить)

| Перспективные направления | Оценка (от 1 до 5) |
|---|--------------------|
| Гармонизация приоритетов развития научных исследований в ЕС и ЕЕЕСА | |
| Повышение информационной открытости компетенций исследователей из стран ЕЕЕСА | |
| Усиление инфраструктуры , которая поддерживает участие команд из ЕЕЕСА в научных программах ЕС (национальные контактные точки и т.п.) | |
| Развитие информационного и методического обеспечения по участию в научных программах ЕС | |
| Более полная интеграция национальных структур стран ЕЕЕСА, которые объединяют науку, бизнес и государственные органы в сфере ИКТ, и соответствующих структур в ЕС (ИКТ - ассоциации, технологические платформы, сети и т.п.) | |

¹ Страны ЕЕЕСА, наряду с Россией включают: Азербайджан, Армения, Беларусь, Грузия, Казахстан, Кыргызстан, Молдова, Таджикистан, Туркменистан, Узбекистан и Украина.

3. Дайте общую оценку эффективности и результативности проекта ISTOK-SOYUZ с точки зрения вклада в укрепление научного сотрудничества в области информационно-коммуникационных технологий (ИКТ) между ЕС и странами Восточной Европы и Центральной Азии (EECA)?

___ Ваша оценка результативности проекта по шкале от 1 до 5 (больше – лучше).

4. Получали ли Вы рассылки с информационными материалами проекта, и если да, то насколько полно отражался в них ход проекта?

- хорошо, - удовлетворительно, - плохо

- я не получал (-а) рассылки ISTOK-SOYUZ

5. Хотели бы вы быть вовлечены в будущие мероприятия по сотрудничеству между ЕС и EECA в сфере R&D ИКТ и/или получать информацию о них?

- да

- нет

6. Как вы оцениваете уровень организации финальной конференции ISTOK-SOYUZ?

- высокий, - средний, - низкий

7. Ваши комментарии и пожелания организаторам мероприятия и участникам проекта ISTOK-SOYUZ:

Благодарим за участие в анкетировании!

8.3. Annex 7. ISTOK-SOYUZ Final conference – Photos





