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1. Steering Committee Activities

- Croatian ReSPA SC Member participated at the fifth meeting of the ReSPA Steering Committee in Priština, Kosovo, which took place on 7 November 2007.
- Upon receiving the documentation relating to the issue of ReSPA's further institutionalisation in the region in Phase II, Croatian ReSPA SC Member forwarded the stated documentation to all relevant institutions in Croatia.
- Meeting on ReSPA's further institutionalisation was held on 13 November 2007 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration on the initiative of the Croatian ReSPA SC Member with the main purpose of inter-department consultation for possible candidacy of Republic of Croatia for the ReSPA headquarters. Among others, Mrs. Marija Pejčinović Burić, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Mr. Zoran Pičuljan, Deputy State Secretary in the Central State Office for Administration as well as Croatian ReSPA SC Member were present at this meeting. Taking into consideration very short term for candidacy, as well as the pre-election period in Republic of Croatia it was decided to put this issue on the agenda of the new Government as soon as it will be formed. However, according to the latest developments, it is difficult to expect the formation of the new Government before late December 2007 / January 2008.

2. ReSPA Publications

- Completed and delivered **2 contributions to the ReSPA website** (the first contribution dealing with Modernization of State Administration and Rights and Obligations of Civil Servants, and the second one dealing with the Status of State Officials and Civil Servants after Parliamentary Elections in November 2007).
- Completed and delivered contribution describing the **Croatian Civil Service Training System**.

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3. ReSPA Events

- SC Member successfully co-ordinated the recruiting of candidates from Croatia who participated in the training on public procurement which took place in Turin, Italy, from 19-23 November 07.
- SC Member successfully co-ordinated the recruiting of candidates from Croatia who participated in the training on Negotiations in the EU environment, which took place in Belgrade, Republic of Serbia, from 5-6 December 07.

4. Other Issues

- There is nothing new to report.