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ReSPA Programme Committee Meeting

31 January 2024, Skopje, North Macedonia

Provisional Programme and Agenda

Venue: TBC

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Background

The ReSPA Programme Committee comprises the state secretaries and/or senior managers responsible for public administration, policy coordination and European integration. Also, ReSPA Governing Board members at the senior official level are kindly invited to participate actively in programme committee meetings.

The objective of the work of the Programme Committee is to assist the ReSPA Members in exchanging information on achievements and challenges in policy coordination related to PAR and EI in their administrations, respectively.

The ReSPA Programme Committee coordinates the themes through an inter-sectoral approach. Each program that ReSPA supports benefits from relevant inter-sectoral perspectives. Therefore, the Programme committee combined efforts to ensure a higher convergence of the ReSPA programmatic interventions. In this way, ReSPA's efforts to connect essential areas, PAR, and European Integration should produce better results.

During the ReSPA Programme Committee meeting, the participants can exchange the state of play, targeted goals, priorities, and examples of success stories and developments in PAR and the European Integration process. At the meeting, the members of the Programme Committee and other participants will be familiarized with the goals, objectives and concrete activities of ReSPA completed during 2023, as well as plans for the forthcoming 2024. They will also be informed of the results of the most critical analyses and studies developed during 2023.

The participants will discuss the envisaged development process of the new ReSPA Strategy 2025-2031. At the agenda of this meeting will be the presentation of the role of public administration reform in the Fundamentals Cluster of the EU accession process, as well as the EU accession momentum in Western Balkans. Finally, the meeting participants will be informed on the state of play of PAR in the latest European Commission Enlargement package 2023.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 31 January 2023

09:30 – 09:35	<i>Registration of the participants with Welcome Coffee</i>
09:35 – 09:45	<u>Welcome speeches</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maja Handjiska Trendafilova, <i>ReSPA Director</i>• Aleksandar Bajdevski, <i>ReSPA Governing Board member (tbc)</i>• Representative of EU Delegation to North Macedonia (tbc)
09:45 – 10:15	<u>ReSPA activities in 2023 with the overview of planned actions in 2024 (first part)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• EU Integration and horizontal activities: Gentian Xhaxhiu, <i>ReSPA Programme Coordinator</i>• Policy development and coordination: Dragan Đurić, <i>ReSPA Programme Manager</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
10:15 – 10:45	<u>Coffee break</u>
10:45 – 11:15	<u>ReSPA activities in 2023 with the overview of planned actions in 2024 (second part)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Human resources management and professional development: Ranka Bartula Mušikić, <i>ReSPA Programme Manager</i>• Service delivery, Digitalization and Quality management: Olivera Damjanović, <i>ReSPA Programme Manager</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
11:15 – 11:30	<u>Western Balkan Knowledge Management platform</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ivana Petričević, <i>Partnership and Knowledge Management Officer</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
11:30 – 13:00	<u>The way forward: ReSPA Strategy 2025-2031</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gentian Xhaxhiu, <i>ReSPA Programme Coordinator</i> <u>The main challenges for Western Balkan administrations: Inspirational interventions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Policy Development and Better Regulation</i>• <i>Human Resources Development and Management</i>• <i>Digital transformation</i> <i>Discussions and brainstorming</i>

13:00 – 14:30	<u>Lunch</u>
14:30 – 15:15	<p><u>The role of public administration reform in Fundamentals Cluster and EU accession momentum in Western Balkans</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>ReSPA external expert</i> <p><i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i></p>
15:15 - 16:00	<p><u>Presentation of the findings and recommendations on PAR in the EC Enlargement Package 2023</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>ReSPA external expert</i> <p><i>Moderated discussion and brainstorming</i></p>
16:00	<u>Takeaways and final remarks</u>
19:30	<u>Social gathering</u>