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**WORKSHOP ON BARRIERS HAMPERING
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 **Background**

- High qualified human potential is one of the crucial factors for competitive economy growth in a knowledge-base society
- Global challenges tends to internationalization of S&T, close networking between institutions and individuals
- International mobility of researchers is vital to the sharing and transfer of ideas, knowledge and skills between countries and sectors

At the same time:

- International market of academic workforces leads to brain drain & emigration

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The objective of each country

Creation of optimum environment for incoming and outgoing mobility - beneficial process of brain circulation

The main parties

- Researchers: can not solve the problems themselves
- Policy- makers: have to be involved
- Interministerial level – authorized coordinating body

Strong cooperation of the systems is required !

What should be done?

At policy level

- Reshaping of status of researchers, financial funding, the conditions for young researchers
- Recognition of mobility as an added value for researchers career and institutions – national strategy for mobility
- Recognition of importance of researchers mobility for international cooperation
- Fostering of defining institutional frames and instruments as a support to mobility
- Policy dialogue, including identification of mutually beneficial areas to enhance mobility, financial tools and strategic directions

What should be done?

At policy level

- Enhancing joint participation through bilateral instruments
- Development of joint evaluation criteria, deadlines, monitoring and assessment process
- Recognition of diplomas and scientific degrees
- Openness of S&T infrastructures as an instrument for mobility
- Agreements for scientific visa
- Decision making about custom duties and taxes on shipping of materials and equipment, IPR; social insurance, pension funds for scientists working abroad
- State support for researchers reintegration, social insurance, pension funds for scientists working abroad

What should be done?

At practical level

- Examples of particular good cooperation practice
- Information and awareness raising about scientific potential
- Publications in international scientific editions
- Attractiveness and open-up of S&T institutions
- Set-up of information and advise portal
<http://www.increast.eu>
- Outward mobility of EU researchers to leading EECA S&T institutions
- Raising of experience of proposal writing and project management skills in EECA
- Creating offices helping and advising for researchers
- Role of NCPs and their networking, including third countries, NCP's staff training and enlargement of offered services range
- Monitoring and assessment of the participation in the FP



IncoNet EECA

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S&T International Cooperation Network for Eastern European and Central Asian Countries

➤ Activities at both the policy and operational level to strengthen S&T cooperation between the EU Member States, Associated Countries and the Eastern European and Central Asian countries:

- Policy dialogue;
- Enhance participation in FP7;
- Analyses, Quality and Dissemination

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Task 3.3: Enhance participation in FP7 'People', 'Ideas' and 'Capacities' Programmes

- Potential Host Research Institutions in EECA countries for EU researchers
- English-language questionnaire disseminated among research institutions in EECA countries.
- Potential host institutions in the EECA with their profiles: Armenia - 13, Belarus – 2, Georgia - 29, Kazakhstan – 14, Moldova - 11, Russia - 12, Ukraine - 6, Uzbekistan – 4

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Potential of host organisations in EECA

- English (or other European languages) speaking staff
- Modern laboratory and office equipment for research in respect scientific area
- Assistance and support in observance of national migration legislation (visa support, registration at migration office if necessary, prolongation of visa, etc.)
- Existence and assistance in selection of appropriate accommodation for researcher taking into account his/her family statuses
- Assistance in selection of kindergarten / school if fellow arrives with his/her children
- Administrative and financial management of the project implementation
- Administration of the project implementation in accordance with internal rules of organisation
- Existence of national language courses (if needed)

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<http://www.increast.eu>

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the website <http://www.increast.eu>. The page features a map of Europe with a highlighted region in the East. The main heading is "Potential Host Institutions in EECA countries for EU researchers for FP7 People International Outgoing Fellowships (IOF)". Below this, there is a paragraph explaining the IOF scheme and its purpose. A search bar is visible at the bottom left of the page content.

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Scenarios for a co-ordinated approach to sustainable S&T co-operation with the Eastern Neighbours of the EU

- Analysing the state of the art of S&T cooperation EU/AC-Russia and EU/AC-Ukraine
- Analysing the policy framework
- Developing policy recommendations to enhance the S&T cooperation
- Preparing the ground for continuous dialogue among relevant stakeholders

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Summary of Conclusions and Recommendations: Chapter 6 "Mobility"

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