

# ICT Research Environment and FP7 participation in the WB Countries

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- Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, FYR of Macedonia, Croatia, Montenegro and Serbia
- Main research actors – state universities and research institutes
- Research is funded by public funds
- ICT is generally very high priority in the Balkans
- FP6 – Third countries/ICPC
- FP7 – Associated countries

- 31 projects with partners from WB countries
- 64 organisations /companies
- 89 participations

Objectives with highest number of projects with WB partners:

- eGovernment (7 projects)
- International cooperation (7 projects)
- Broadband for all (3 projects)
- Technology-enhanced learning (2)
- ICT for Networked Businesses (2)
- FET Open (2)

### Number of participations:

- Croatia – 23
- Serbia and Montenegro – 23
- FYR of Macedonia – 18
- Albania – 13
- Bosnia and Herzegovina - 12

- all WBC are associated to the 7th framework programme except Kosovo (UN Resolution 1244)
- Croatia, FYR of Macedonia and Serbia attained associated status to the FP7 on 13 June, 2007
- Albania and Montenegro on 1 January, 2008
- Bosnia & Herzegovina on 1 January, 2009
- Kosovo can participate in FP7 as a third country with International Cooperation Country Partner (ICPC) status

April 2010	Albania	BiH	Croatia	FYROM	Monte-negro	Serbia	Kosovo/ UN Res 1244	SUM:
<b>COORDINATION</b>								
HEALTH	2	1	4	4		3		14
KBBE		2	9	3	2	7		23
ICT	2	2	10	5	3	13	1	36
NMP			3	1		4		8
ENERGY		2	8	6		5		21
ENV		2	10	1	1	3		17
TPT	1	1	8	1		6		17
SSH	1	1	4	1	1	2	1	11
SPA			2	1				3
SEC			1		1	1		3
<b>SUM:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>153</b>
<b>PEOPLE SUM:</b>			4	4	2	2		12
<b>CAPACITIES</b>								
INFRA	2	2	8	4	4	6		26
SME		1	9	1		1		12
REGIONS	1		3			1		5
REGPOT			8	6	1	15		30
SiS			2		1	4		7
COH	1		1	1		1		4
INCO	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	13
GA			2					2
<b>SUM:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>99</b>
<b>TOTAL SUM:</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>264</b>

Table 3: Number of project participations in FP7 (April 2010)

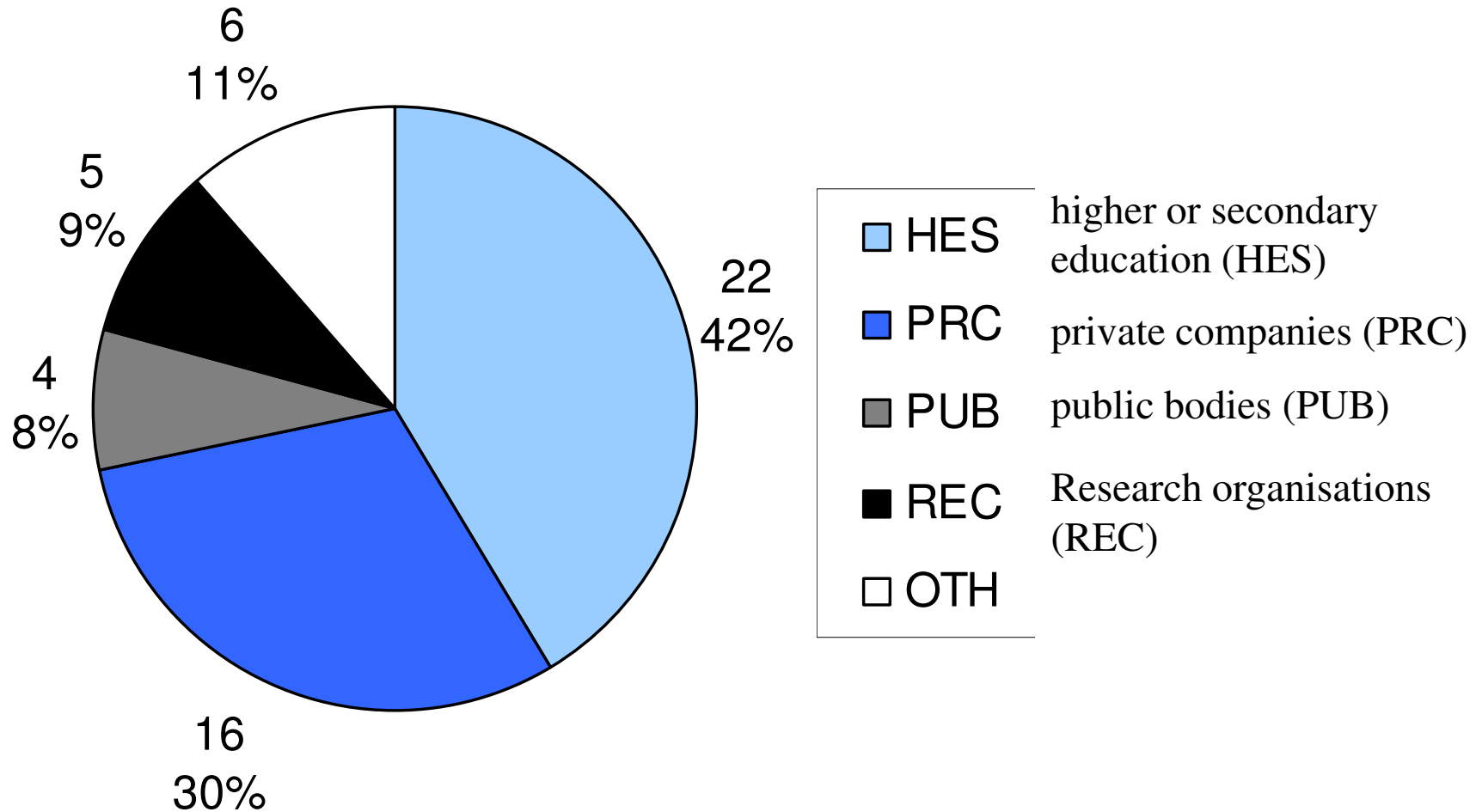
## Number of ICT projects and participants from the WBC (April 2010)

WBC	Projects	Participants	Mean number of participants per project
BiH	2	3	1,5
Serbia	13	18	1,4
Albania	2	2	1,0
Croatia	10	10	1,0
FYROM	5	5	1,0
Montenegro	3	3	1,0
Kosovo/UN Res 1244	1	1	1,0
<b>SUM:</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1,2</b>

CP and CSA are dominating in the ICT thematic priority

Coordinators in WBC FP7 projects	Number of coordinated projects
Serbia	14
Croatia	10
FYR of Macedonia	7
Montenegro	3
Albania	0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0
Kosovo/UN Res 1244	0
<b>SUM WBC:</b>	<b>34</b>

Coordinators in WBC ICT projects	Number of coordinated projects
Serbia	1
Croatia	0
FYR of Macedonia	0
Montenegro	0
Albania	0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0
Kosovo/UN Res 1244	0
<b>SUM WBC:</b>	<b>1</b>



- The cooperation pattern of the smaller WBC is more regionally structured, whereas Croatia and Serbia show an orientation towards the main EU 27 cluster
- Greece stands out as regional cooperation partner, but also other countries such as Slovenia, Austria and Poland play a significant role for the wider regional cooperation, in particular for the smaller WBC
- Another regional connection is formed with Eastern European countries, in particular Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey



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## Summary of findings for WBC participation in ICT

- ICT field receives strong national support
- Several FP6 and FP7 projects has been developed that supported the awareness raising in the region on the Framework programme and the ICT priority
- **WBC are most active in the ICT thematic priority**
- **Only one WBC coordinator in ICT (Serbia)**
- **Intra-regional and international cooperation:**
- Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina rely to a very high degree on intra-regional cooperation in ICT ( 52% of their ICT co-operations with other countries are with other WBC).

# Thank you for your attention!!!

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