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Directorate A - Policy Development and Coordination
A.4 - Analysis and monitoring of national research policies

Horizon 2020 Policy Support Facility Peer Review of the Moldovan Research & Innovation System

- Kick-off meeting -
Draft Agenda

Venue: Brussels, DG RTD (8 Square Frère Orban, room 4.A066, floor 4)

Date: 11 November 2015, from 10:30h to 16:00h/16:30h

Main Morning session

Participants: PSF Panel members:

Independent experts: Krzysztof Gulda (Chair), Manfred Spiesberger, George Bonas, Francien Heijs

Peer experts: Adrian Curaj (RO), Toivo Raim (EE), Brigitte Weiss (AT),

Representatives of the Moldovan authorities: Aurelia Hanganu (Scientific Secretary General of the Academy of sciences of Moldova), Diana Stah (Head of Moldovan Office for Science and Technology (MOST)

Commission: Marnix Surgeon, Diana Senczyszyn, Thierry Devars

Representative of the Spanish authorities: Santiago Rodriguez

10:30 to 11.20

- Introduction of H2020 PSF activities – 15 min (Commission services)
- The experience with the recent Spanish Peer Review – 20 min (Spanish authorities)
- Questions

11.20 to 13.00 – Preparation of the Moldovan Peer Review

- **EU Moldova STI cooperation status and perspectives** -10 min (Commission services)
- **Focus areas of the Peer Review and self-assessment process**- 45 min (Moldovan authorities)
 - o Rationale for the suggested focus
 - o Self-assessment: process and outcome
 - o Perceived primary issues and challenges
- Discussion

Lunch break (13:00 to 14:00)

Afternoon session (14:00 to 16:00)

- **Background briefing** – 30 min (M. Spiesberger, co-rapporteur)

- Overview of the Moldovan R&I system and its main challenges
- Discussion

Country visit of December 2015

- Discussion on the methodology and roadmap of the Peer Review
- Focus of field work
- Selection of stakeholders
- Question banks
- Opportunity of an *ex ante* information package /questionnaire/for Moldovan stakeholders taking part in the peer review sessions
- Division of labour and individual timed tasks, deliverables and deadlines
- Operational conclusions and next steps

Independent Experts only

16.00 to 16.30 – Internal planning meeting between the independent experts and administrative issues