NEXT: THE ADRIATIC PLATFORM FOR RESEARCH & INNOVATION

Transnational Conference
11th October 2013

Grand Hotel Europe, Sheshi 2 Prilli, Shkodra - Albania

8,45 – 9,00   *Registration of participants*

9,00 - 9,15   **Opening & Welcome of the Shkodra Mayor**, *Mr Lorenc Luka*

Session 1 – Moderator: Mrs Etleva Paplekaj, Regional Council of Shkodra

9,15 - 10,30   **Setting the policy scene**

Mr Maxhid Cungu, President of the Regional Council of Shkodra

S.E. Amb. Massimo Gaiani, Italian Embassy in Albania

Mr Paolo Perazzoli, Member of the Regional Council of Marche Region

Mrs Blerta Xhako, Media Advisor of the Albanian Ministry of Innovation and Public Administration

Mrs Maja Šimić Škutor, Head of Department for Development of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton Ministry

10,30 - 10,45 **The NEXT project: concept, objectives and milestones,** *Mrs Anna Torelli, Marche Region*

10,45 - 11,15 *Coffee Break*

Session 2 - Moderator: Mrs Patrizia Sopranzi, Marche Region

11,15 – 11,30 **The services for R&I and Technology Transfer of the NEXT platform,** *Mr Antonio Santangelo, Archidata*

11,30 – 11,45 **NEXT: Common challenges and efforts, towards common benefits and joint integrated development,** *Prof.As.Dr. Zef Gjeta, Foundation "partnership for development"*

11,45 – 12,00 **The Research & Innovation framework in Albania,** *Prof. Konstandin Hajkola , ATTC - Agricultural Technology Transfer Centre*

12,00 – 12,15 **The transformation of Kragujevac: from post socialist industrial city to city of innovation,** Mr *Vojislav Veljkovic, Business Innovation Centre in Kragujevac*

12,15 – 12,30 **Platforms to support co-operation and technology transfer in the Adriatic Ionian Macro-region,** *Mr Matija Bumbak, City of Šibenik*

12,30 – 12,45 **A practical case: The *Marche Innovazione* Platform,** *Prof. Emanuele Frontoni, University of Marche Region*

12,45 – 13,00 **Innovation as engine of economic growth: the Loccioni Group case,** *Mr Riccardo Paci, Loccioni Group*

13,00 – 13,15 **Debate**

13,15 – 13,30 **Conclusions**, *Mrs Patrizia Sopranzi, Marche Region*

13,30 – 14,30 ***Lunch***

English will be the Conference official language

A translation service will be available in Italian and Albanian