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Cross-border eSolution/eService Prototype Development

Prototype title:

PROJECT RIEN: Regional interactive educational network for encouragement of competitiveness in the Danube region between 2012 - 2017

Short description of the prototype (problem to be solved, expected benefits, main stakeholders, expansion opportunities, related EU projects, references):

Reintegration of the Danubian Region has and will have key impact on the Balkan Region in order to integrate peace and sustainable development in Europe. Academic community evaluates that accelerated educational program in the Danubian Region is crucial for its reintegration. That can be achieved by implementation of the new technologies in education, such as interactive information technologies.

With respect to the European Strategy for the Danube Region, the goals and objectives of RIEN especially touch the goals of Priority 7 (to develop the knowledge society: research, education and ICT), Priority 8 (to support the competitiveness, including cluster development), and Priority 10 (to step up institutional capacity and cooperation).

Objective:

Establishment of a European economic-interest group under the name RIEN - *Regional Interactive Edu-Network* with the goal to set-up a centre of interactive education, production, business coordination and technologic development in Slovenia. The centre is to be coordinated by ALMA MATER EUROPAEA – European Centre Maribor.

Summary:

Implementation of the new technologies in education, such as interactive information technologies will be crucial for the reintegration of the Danubian region. That can be achieved with help of interactive information technologies in classrooms in order to support and develop competitiveness, knowledge society and improve international cooperation.

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Existing partners (representative, position, organization, country):

- technological and knowledge centres from the Danube region (ECM network),
- regional and national business partners, responsible for development of applications and production,
- higher education institutions, responsible for teachers' training in Danube region,
- domestic and foreign publishers (e-contents).

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