

Capacity-building program in the area of Policy Development and Coordination / Better Regulation

The goal of the capacity development activity of ReSPA and SNA in the area of **Policy Development and Better Regulation** is to further strengthen the capacity of civil servants in Western Balkans administrations on evidence-based policy planning and to deepen civil servants' knowledge about methods and tools that can make complex policy planning work more efficient and to familiarize them with best case examples from Italy and other EU countries. In addition, closer alignment of approaches in policy planning throughout the Western Balkan region will ultimately mean a better understanding of the common challenges, a better definition of solutions, and intense preparation for full EU integration.

This capacity-building activity will have the following segments:

1. two days of training in Montenegro;
2. two days of training in Italy, followed by one and a half days of mobility visits of public servants from the Western Balkans to Italian institutions;
3. a joint online session with the participants of other streams of the programme.

This capacity development activity will bring together **18 public servants** of governmental institutions, senior to mid-level professionals with experience in policymaking and Better Regulation, actively participating in policy planning, from central government coordination institutions and line ministries in Western Balkans administrations.

The first segment will be organized in Podgorica.

Dates: 4-5 April 2024 (following the launching Conference planned for 3 April 2024)

Day I: Thursday, 4 April 2024

9:00 – 9.20	Introduction to the goals of the first segment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>ReSPA representative</i>• <i>SNA representative</i>
9:20 – 9:30	Presentation of participants and lecturers
9:30 – 10:15	Resilience in policy making: policy capacity, instruments and policy design <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Maria Tullia Galanti (University of Milan)</i>
10:15 – 11:00	RIA as a tool for improving policymaking process <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Dragana Aleksic, ReSPA expert</i>
11:00 - 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30 – 12:15	The policy cycle: basic tools for policy analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Giulio Citroni (University of Calabria)</i>
12:15 – 13:00	Data Collection for Policy Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Marko Savic, University of Montenegro, Faculty of Political Science,</i>
13:00 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>
14:30 – 15:15	Linking policy planning processes to the EU accession negotiations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Zorka Kordić, ReSPA expert</i>

Day II: Friday, 5 April 2024

09:00 – 09:15	Summary presentation of the first day and expected results from the second day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tour de table</i>
09:15 – 10:15	Defining performance indicators to measure progress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zorka Kordić and Marko Savić, ReSPA experts
10:15 – 11:15	Participation of citizens and NGOs in policy design: Public consultations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jovana Bulatović, ReSPA expert
11:15 – 11:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:45 – 12:45	Setting up the Metric framework for policy implementation monitoring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jovana Bulatović, ReSPA expert
12:45 – 13:45	Gender mainstreaming in policy creation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prof. dr Olivera Komar, ReSPA expert, University of Montenegro
13:45 – 15:00	<i>Lunch</i>
15:00 – 15:45	Types and methods of policy evaluation and the role of evidence in policy-making <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Marco Calaresu (University of Sassari)</i>
15:45 -16:00	Evaluation