



ReSPA

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Meeting of the Directors/Heads of Training Institutions/Departments from the WBs

(back to back with with DISPA meeting)

23-25 October 2023, Alcala de Henares (Spain)

Aim and Purpose

Networks play important role in strengthening cooperation and supporting stakeholder engagement. In view of the enlargement context and the reinvigorated deliberations on progressive and accelerated integration, Western Balkans should increasingly pursue an even stronger contribution and inclusion in all relevant EU platforms, frameworks, networks, programmes and policies. One of the key networks at the EU level is the Network of Directors of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration (DISPA). The next DISPA meeting is planned for 23-24 October 2023 and will be held in Spain in Alcalá de Henares. This year's DISPA meeting will bring together the 27 directors of the EU Public Administration Institutes and Schools, as well as those of the European School of Administration (ESA) and the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA) and a representative of the Commission. ReSPA will assist the participation of Western Balkan Directors of training institutions/schools/departments or their equivalents and facilitate their contribution and exchange with the EU member states. This will also contribute to building closer institutional links with EU MS institutes and their networks.

In the margin of this EU meeting, ReSPA will facilitate the regional exchange among WB Directors/Heads/or equivalent at the meeting which will be held on 25 October. The meeting will provide a floor for, among others, informing about the changes/progress made by each administration as of the last meeting held in Tirana in 2022, presentation of good practices, discussion about the challenges faced, identification of avenues for regional partnerships and collaborations and learning from the experience of relevant EU training institutions that will be invited to present their work. The focus of their presentations will be placed on: leadership, competencies of senior civil servants, career development, strategic role of HR units, talent management, building resilient institutions, learning and knowledge management, innovative practices or other examples of good practice.

Time schedule

22 October	Arrival
23-24 October	DISPA meeting (as per the Agenda of DISPA)
25 October	ReSPA Back-to-Back Meeting of the Directors/Heads of Training Institutions/Departments
26 October	Departure

Meeting of Directors/Heads of Training Institutions/Departments

25 October 2023, Alcalá de Henares (Spain), premises tbc

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

08.45	Registration of participants
09.00	Welcome and introduction
09.10	Tour de table with an introduction of the participants
09.30	State of art of training institutions/departments (needs assessment, selection of experts, training delivery, research activities, etc.) Presentation by each administration (up to 10 minutes each)
10.30	Coffee break
11.00	Presentation of good practices by each administration, flagship initiatives, innovations, as well as challenges encountered Questions and answers after each presentation
12.00	Presentation of EU MS experiences Questions and Answers
13.00	Lunch break
14.30	Presentation of EU MS experiences Questions and Answers
15.30	Future cooperation of training institutions/departments Proposals for collaborative activities at a regional level
16.30	Wrap-up and Closure of the event