

BELGRADE 13.09.2011

Minutes from 3rd VRPM group meeting (Virtual/Rapid/Prototyping/Manufacturing)

Group meeting started at 14.30 with a brief **welcome speech** from Jurgen Henke, Team leader, ICIP;

After the introduction, Dr. Thies Wittig presented results of **evaluation of project ideas** and discussed focus questions with the group members. Discussion resulted with the agreement to **schedule individual meetings**, as soon as possible, with ICIP team to refine group member's project ideas and their CORDIS profiles.

Dr. Wittig continued with **presentation of the 'Research for the benefit of SME' and EUREKA programs** as potential funding opportunities for VRPM group. As the last point, Dr. Wittig presented to the group three profiles of Cordis group members. Conclusion was that VRPM group should **proactively continue research and contact possible partners**. Details are provided in the attached ppt presentation from Dr. Wittig.

In the next session Mr. Bosko Nektarijevic briefly **explained key variables for success in different stages** of the project development process. Group firstly elaborated typical mistakes, then expanded understanding of the evaluation criteria and expected impact. Mr. Nektarijevic concluded with practical advices for evaluation oriented proposal writing. Details are available in the attached presentation from Mr. Nektarijevic.

Jurgen Henke presented **support services for match making** by ICIP. He explained intention and purpose of the process, and emphasized that ICIP offers to support development of project ideas, during individual meetings, ideally by the end of this week.

ICIP will check other groups in CORDIS, help to fill out the search profile for VRPM group members, establish contact with German research network, and partner search through Balkan Security Network.

As the last point Dr. Henke explained possibilities for ICIPs assistance for the brokerage event 19/20 October 2011. VRPM Group members are strongly invited to prepare 2-3 slits for presentation at the brokerage event; also posters might be developed by members of the VRPM Group (Thies Wittig will send Vesna a sample for a poster presentation session).

Prof. Dr. Vesna Mandic **presented progress report about VRPM group activities** and creation of CORDIS profiles. Dr. Mandic introduced group members from abroad and project ideas presented on CORDIS. And concluded with the overview of individual meetings and consultations and action plan for forthcoming activities.

Summary of time envisaged activities and timetable is following:

- v Further refining and generating project ideas; ICIP will assist the development of project ideas during individual meetings, this week (12 16. September);
- v To increase visibility of VRPM group members it is important to create profiles on Cordis . ICIP will assist in the development of such profiles within the individual company meetings;
- Match making process; ICIP will assist in partner search with help of data bases from next week (19. September); Contact with German networks, mid next week (21. September); Refined profiles of our companies are needed before this step;
- v Joint reparation of Brokerage event, Belgrade, 19th and 20th October;





- v Selected proposal ideas from the Brussels meeting in July were discussed at the August meeting of the group: group members are reminded to quickly contact those proposers, to explore possible cooperation;
- v Contacts should be established by the Mechanical Engineering Faculty at least with the two Spanish organisation who had joined our Cordis group.

Next steps will be decided afterwards;

