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# Smart specialisation as the innovation driver for country's competitiveness

**Venue: Tirana, 5 July 2018**  
**HOTEL TIRANA INTERNATIONAL**  
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# PROGRAMME

05 JULY 2018

- 09:00 Registration of the participants
- 09:30 Welcoming notes:  
**Lindita Nikolla, Minister of Education and Sports**  
**Enzo Damiani, Representative EU Delegation to Albania - Sector Manager for Internal Market, Competitiveness and Innovation**  
**Dajna Sorensen, Vice Minister of Finance and Economy**  
**Andrea Conte, Team Leader, Territorial Development Unit, JRC, European Commission**  
**Florensa Haxhi, Albanian MAP REA Program Coordinator**  
**Linda Pustina, Head of the Albanian S3 WG**
- Chair: Linda Pustina, Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth**
- 10:00 Introduction to the Smart Specialization Strategies - from design to implementation: lessons, challenges, opportunities, experiences. JRC S3 E&N methodological framework  
**Nikola Radovanovic, Smart Specialisation Platform, Territorial Development Unit, JRC, European Commission**
- 10:45 Lessons learned from smart specialization in regions of Europe: 6 years of progress and wandering  
**Ramojus Reimeris, MOSTA (Research and Higher Education Analysis and monitoring center), Lithuania**
- 11:45 Coffee break
- 12:15 Conditions for developing smart specialization in Albania: R&I lessons, experiences and S3 opportunities, challenges, analyses and findings.  
**Linda Pustina, Head of S3 Team**  
**Kozeta Sevrani, Head of Analytical Team,**  
**Geron Kamberi, Head of NASRI, S3 Team member**  
**Arben Skënderi, Head of RDA2, S3 Team member**
- 13.00 Lunch break
- 14:00 Regional economic analysis and modelling  
**Andrea Conte, Team Leader, Territorial Development Unit, JRC, European Commission**
- 14.30 Targeted support to territorial development  
**Elisa Gerussi, Targeted Support, Territorial Development Unit, JRC, European Commission**
- 15.00 Mapping analysis framework  
**Henning Kroll, Fraunhofer Institute**
- 15.45 Focusing on the next steps in the S3 process  
**Nikola Radovanovic, Smart Specialisation Platform, Territorial Development Unit, JRC, European Commission & Linda Pustina, Albanian S3 team**
- 16:00 Q&A, Conclusions and closure of the workshop  
**Moderated by JRC & Albanian S3 team**