

- Dr. Ani Todorova, President State Agency for Metrology and Technical Surveillance

13.00-14.30 Buffet Lunch (in parallel: press event)

14.30-16.30 **Opportunities for future collaboration**

Chairman: Mr Giancarlo Caratti,  
Head of Enlargement Unit, JRC

- Bulgarian experiences in cooperation with the JRC: Ms Albena Vutsova
- Practical cooperation with the JRC: Mr Jiri Burianek, JRC
- Opportunities in CORDIS: Mr Virginia Mercuri
- Experience of Bulgarian scientists at JRC
  - Ms Elissaveta Gurova, Centre for Information Society Technology, Sofia University
  - Ms Milena Raykovska, JRC Enlargement Unit

Questions and Answers

16.30-17:00 Closing coffee with opportunity for bilateral contact with JRC staff

*Simultaneous interpretation English / Bulgarian will be provided*

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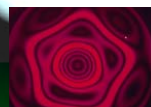
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<http://www.jrc.cec.eu.int/enlargement>

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# JRC INFORMATION DAY ● BULGARIA PROGRAMME

27 APRIL 2004

The Joint Research Centre  
promotes the development of a  
European Research Area  
for an enlarged Union

Venue: Sofia, Tuesday 27 April 2004,  
Hotel Hilton, Moussala Conference Room

# MISSION

**T**he mission of the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) is to provide scientific and technological support for the EU policy-making process. A strong focus is on EU enlargement policy.

Through specialised institutes in five countries, the JRC supports the efforts of applicant countries to acquire the scientific and technological know-how needed to implement and develop further the body of EU law. The European Commission's European Research Area initiative will enable the JRC to consolidate this role through increased networking with research organisations across the enlarged Union. The JRC provides support for a wide range of topics that are of direct concern to European policies and citizens.

These topics are broadly related to safety and security issues within three core areas: environment and sustainability; food, chemical products and health and nuclear safety and safeguards. These core areas are reinforced by three horizontal competencies: reference materials and measurements; public security and antifraud and technology foresight.

This event will present recent JRC achievements and future plans to prominent research organisations in Bulgaria. The intention is to encourage dialogue, identify potentially interested partners and pave the way for further collaboration within the 6th Framework Programme.

8.30-9.00

Registration

9.00-9.40

## Opening Session

- Moderator Ms Albena Vutsova, Bulgarian Participant in the JRC Board of Governors
- Mr Igor Damianov, Minister for Education and Science
- Mr Dimitris Kourkoulas, Head of EC Delegation in Bulgaria
- Mr Naum Yakimoff, General Scientific Secretary, BAS
- Mr Roland Schenkel, Deputy Director General, Joint Research Centre

## JRC Enlargement Action and Bulgarian participation in FP6

9.40-10.00

The JRC Enlargement Activities:

- Mr Giancarlo Caratti, Head of Enlargement Unit, JRC

10.00-10.20

Bulgarian participation in FP6:

- Mr Brendan Hawdon, DG Research

10.20-10.50

Coffee break

10.50-13.00

## Examples of JRC projects in cooperation with Bulgarian research organisations

Chairman: Prof. Varban Ganev,  
Medical University of Sofia

10.50-11.20

Air Quality

- Mr Annette Borowiak, JRC-Institute for Environment and Sustainability
- Ms Evelina Nikolova, Executive Environmental Agency, Sofia

11.20-11.50

GMO in food

- Mr Guy Van den Eede, JRC-Institute for Health and Consumer Protection
- Prof. Atanas Atanassov, Director of AgroBioInstitute

11.50-12.30

Nuclear safety and security

- Mr Klaus Lützenkirchen, JRC-Institute for Transuranium Elements
- Prof. Jordan Stamenov, Institute for Nuclear Research
- Mr Emil Vapirev, Bulgarian Nuclear Regulatory Agency

12.30-13.00

Metrology

- Mr Piotr Robouch, JRC-Institute for Reference Materials and Measurements