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14.00

Welcome & opening remarks

Majlinda Bregu, Secretary General of the RCC

Mirjana Spoljaric Egger, Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Regional Bureau for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States, UNDP

14.15

Presentation

Mapping of Gender-Related Policies, Programmes and Mechanisms on Gender Disparity in STEM in Western Balkans study

Marija Risteska, CRPM, Executive Director

14.30

A networked approach to amplifying STEM initiatives in the Western Balkans

Moderator: Sinisa Marcic, RCC

Hatixhe Bilibashi – Albanian ICT Academy, Founder – Albania,

Azra Saric – Mistral, Chief Communications Officer – Bosnia and Herzegovina,

Zana Tabaku, Application Development Centre (APPDEC), Co-Founder & CEO – Kosovo*,

Radenka Krsmanović Whiffen, University of Donja Gorica, Professor – Montenegro,

Sonja Filiposka, SS. Cyril and Methodius University, Professor – North Macedonia,

Zoja Kukic, Digital Serbia Initiative, Programme Director for Startup Ecosystem – Serbia

15.40

Closing and conclusions

Maja Handjiska Trendafilova, Head of Programme Department, RCC

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