

Joint Declaration  
by  
The Minister of Science, Education and Sports  
of the Republic of Croatia  
and The Minister of Science, Culture and Sport  
of the State of Israel

We, the Minister of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia and the Minister of Science, Culture and Sport of the State of Israel;

ACKNOWLEDGING the importance of strengthening scientific and technological cooperation between Croatia and Israel;

Reiterating the significance of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the Government of the State of Israel on Cooperation in the fields of Culture, Education and Science, dated October 31 2001;

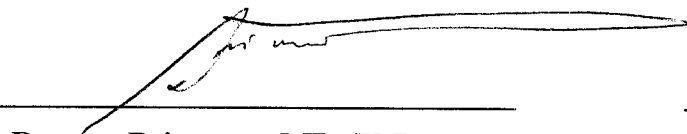
WISHING to further expand and intensify bilateral exchanges between the scientific R & D communities of Croatia and Israel;

DO HEREBY DECLARE:

1. The Minister of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia and the Minister of Science, Culture and Sport of the State of Israel express their willingness to further strengthen bilateral cooperation in scientific R & D, by intensifying and developing cooperation in such areas of scientific endeavor as biotechnology (both medical and agricultural), nanotechnology, materials research, electro-optics, information technology and computer science.
2. Following the abovementioned Agreement and this Declaration the representatives of the Ministries will commence consultations in order to adopt a joint Executive Program on cooperation in science and technology for the years 2008-2009. The representatives of the Ministries will also endeavor to convene a meeting of a Croatian-Israeli Joint Committee before the end of 2007 in order to further develop modalities of cooperation.
3. As a further means of strengthening bilateral cooperation in scientific R & D, the Ministers agree to encourage their scientists to cooperate with scientists of the other country in carrying out joint projects for the Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) of the EU.

4. The Ministry of Science, Culture and Sport of the State of Israel has no objection to the participation of Israeli scientists in peer reviews/evaluations of Croatian national R & D projects. The Ministry of Science, Culture and Sport of the State of Israel will provide the Croatian Party with a list of Israeli experts/institutions for this purpose.
5. The Parties shall continue to cooperate in developing and adopting appropriate plans of action, in order to effectively implement the objectives of the abovementioned Agreement and this Declaration.

Done and signed in duplicate in English in Jerusalem on July 15, 2007.



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