

Advancing Innovation in ECA 2008

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Objectives

- Entrepreneurship, technology, education
- Innovation
- Collaboration
- Common Projects

Why Conference 2008?

- To meet each other
- New ideas
- More focus
- Concrete projects and results
- New members
- Experience of other networks

Topics

■ Russia

- Tatarstan Technopark Idea
- Lipetsk Industrial Zone
- Network Association, VCs, Technology Transfer Organizations, etc

■ Romania

- National Innovation Center
- Knowledge Intensive Service to Support Knowledge Transfer
- Tailoring Training for Tourism and Rural Areas

Topics (Cont'd)

■ Bulgaria

- Network of National Business Development
- Knowledge transfer for International development
- Financial Mechanisms for SMEs using ICT

■ Armenia

- Global Youth ICT Center
- Spitak Rural Association for Innovation
- Regional Center for Education in ICT
- Regional Entrepreneurship ICT Center

Organizational Issues

- Funding (InfoDev, Local Government, Banks, Multinationals, EU, other donor organizations)
- Organizational Team based on Sub-Regional Approach
- ECAbit Promotion and Conference Promotion during Sub-regional Events