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Transformation Process to the Regional
Co-operation Council

“South East Europe Transport
Observatory meeting”
Tirana, 3. December 2007

Successor of the Stability Pact – Regional Co-operation Council

- Belgrade Regional Table Meeting May 2006 – agreement on creation of RCC
- RCC members will consist of SEECP countries, UNMIK Kosovo, EU (incl European Commission) bilateral donors and international organisations engaged in SEE
- Role to monitor and facilitate regional co-operation processes in SEE - initial priority areas identified
- Support to the SEECP (political umbrella)



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SP vs RCC

- SP role that of catalyst/incubator for regional co-operation processes
- RCC will provide a strong co-ordination & monitoring mechanism for strengthened initiatives – political troubleshooting
- Enhanced regional ownership not only at overall level but also essential for individual taskforces
- Ensure that remaining initiatives are self sustainable



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Agreed Priority Areas

- Economic and Social Development
- Infrastructure
- Justice and Home Affairs
- Security co-operation
- Building Human Capital
- Parliamentary Co-operation (over-arching theme)



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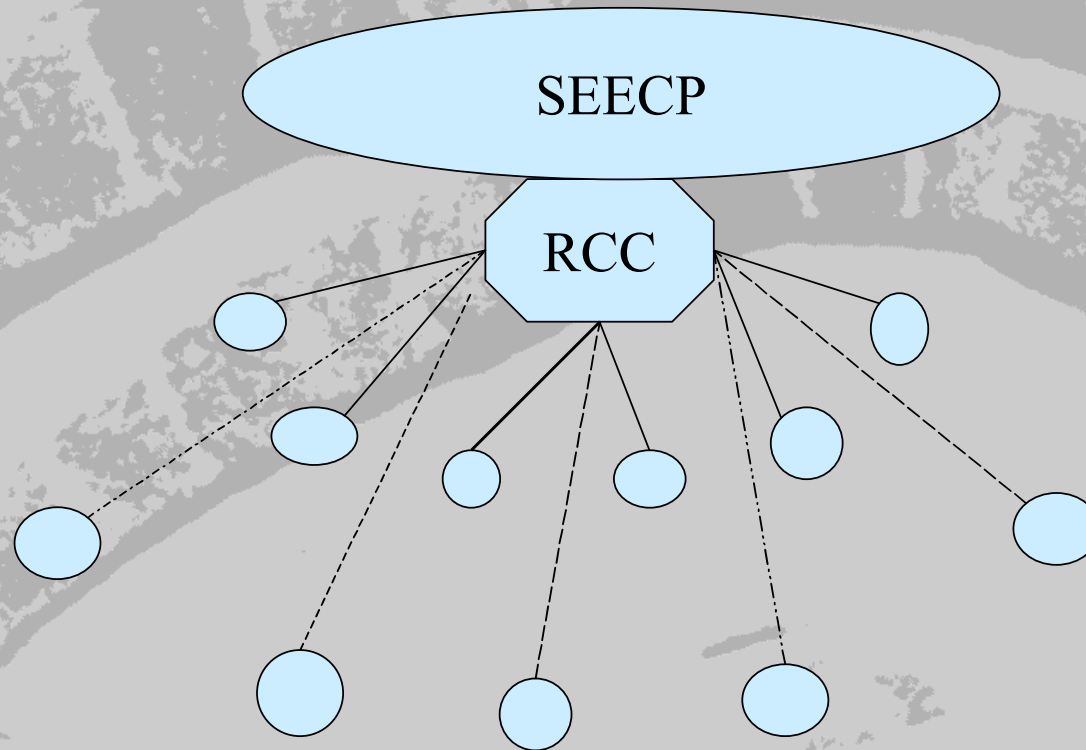
Status of Taskforces

- Closed - mission accomplished - e.g. media
- Self sufficient - transferred to international body (environment to REC/ReREP, energy secretariat to EC, HUMI to UNHABITAT) or transfer to regional body (CEFTA, SEETO)
- Relationship with RCC



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RCC and the Taskforces



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RCC Structures

- RCC Secretariat – Sarajevo
- Secretary General – Hido Bišćević
- Technical experts
- Liaison office in Brussels
- RCC Board
- Regional Co-operation Council (all countries and organisations actively involved in regional co-operation in SEE)



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RCC Timelines and Current Status

- Agreement on RCC Statute – May 2007
- Secretary General appointed – May 2007 at RT & SEECP Summit
- Host country for Secretariat - decision – May 2007 at RT and SEECP Summit
- RCC build-up September 2007 – February 2008 (legal status, staff recruitment, financial procedures)
- RCC formally commences operations end February 2008
- Stability Pact closes



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What-is-to-do and activities of the SP

- RCC
- Expert/Transport and other infrastructure
- DCP and IWT
- SEE FABBA



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Further Information

- www.stabilitypact.org



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