

The Millennium Project to establish a Node in Kosovo

The Millennium Project, a global participatory think tank in futures research, opens a Node in Kosovo – the fourth Node in the former Yugoslavia

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After a successful international gathering of eGovernment leaders at the [Kosovo ICT Conference](#), preliminary meetings were held in Pristina, Kosovo, with representatives of the government, private sector, NGOs, and the European Union about establishing a Node of [The Millennium Project](#) in Kosovo. The proposed Node would identify thought leaders, scholars, and business planners who could participate in global futures research and make the results available to the people of Kosovo. It would also initiate projects with the support of The Millennium Project system of 46 Nodes around the world.

Potential projects discussed included: 1) training in futures concepts and methods to support long-range strategic decisionmaking; 2) establishing Tele-Kosovo to connect Kosovars outside the country with the development processes back in Kosovo; 3) creating a collective intelligence system to connect the eGovernance systems of the region; 4) producing a State of the Future Index for the region; and 5) translating the [2012 State of the Future](#) into Albanian. (The [Executive Summary](#) of the 2012 State of the Future is already available in several languages.)

The meetings to establish the Kosovo Node were organized by Visar Dobroschi, Managing Partner of RECURA Financials and one of the founders of the [Kosovo Association of Information and Communications Technology – STIKK](#). The two visitors from The Millennium Project were Blaz Golob, Chairman of the MP Node for South-East Europe and chairman of GoForesight Institute (GFS) in Ljubljana, Slovenia, and Jerome Glenn, CEO of The Millennium Project.

Vjollca Cavolli, Executive Director of STIKK and Member of the [Board of the Innovation Center Kosovo – ICK](#) said “We welcome the opportunity to work with leaders from government, business, universities, NGOs, and the international community to create the Kosovo Node of The Millennium Project to participate in the world system of creative and futuristic innovators.”

Background

The Millennium Project was established in 1996 as the first globalized think tank. It conducts independent futures research via its 46 Nodes around the world that connect global and local perspectives. Nodes are groups of individuals and institutions that select thought leaders and scholars in their country or region to participate in globally significant research and feed back the results. The South-East European Node was established in 2007 with country Nodes in Slovenia, Serbia, and Montenegro. The MP is supported by UN organizations, multinational corporations, universities, foundations, and the governments of Azerbaijan, Kuwait, Montenegro, South Korea, and the United States.



From left to right: Blaz Golob, Chairman South-East Europe Node, Jerome C. Glenn, CEO of The Millennium Project, Vjollca Cavolli, Executive Director of Kosovo Association of ICT

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