

**Minutes from the Open Access Day  
organized by the University of Novi Sad**

**Boosting Engagement of Serbian Universities in Open Science (BE-OPEN)**

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<b>Event Title:</b>	<b>Open Access Day at the University of Novi Sad</b>
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<b>Event Venue:</b>	<b>Rectorate, University of Novi Sad</b>

**Tuesday, 24 October 2017**

International Open Access Week is a global event which will take place in October 23 – 29, 2017. It was an excellent opportunity for the academic and research community to learn about the benefits of Open Access and share their experience among themselves. Open Access refers to the free and online access to results of scholarly research and the right to use and re-use those results.

The University of Novi Sad participated in the International Open Access Week and took action to promote Open Access as the potential to increase the visibility and use of published research. The University of Novi Sad invited all interested students, researchers and professors to learn about the activities and goals of the ERASMUS+ projects BE-OPEN and Re@WBC which took place on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 in the Amphitheatre at the Central University Building at 12 o'clock.

Prof. Dr. Snežana Smederevac, vice-rector for science at the University of Novi Sad and project coordinator of ERASMUS+ BE-OPEN project, opened the event by emphasizing the importance of Open Access in the academic community. Dr. Dejan Pajić presented the goals and activities of the ERASMUS+ BE-OPEN project, while Dr. Petar Čolović presented the results of the Survey on Open Access which provided a basis for the creation and revision of Open Science policies at national and institutional level.



Prof. Dr. Pavle Sekeruš, project coordinator of ERASMUS+ Re@WBC at the University of Novi Sad, presented achieved results within the project, informing the audience about the HR Excellence in Research award and Human Resource Development Strategy with Action Plan adopted by the University of Novi Sad.

Mr. Goa Borrek, Turnitin regional manager, gave a presentation related to the *iThenticate* plagiarism detection software which is used at the University of Novi Sad since October this year.

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