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## **MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT OF THE SPECTRA PERSEUS PROJECT EVK4-CT-2002-80006**

Mid-Term Assessment Meeting of the PERSEUS Project was held on 2nd September 2004 in the SPECTRA Centre. PERSEUS project (Permanent Research in Spatial Development in the Context of EU Enlargement and Information Society Advancement) is running since February 2003 and is covering all the research, scientific and institutional activities of the Spectra Centre. All the Goals fulfilled in the 1st half of the project run were summarised and presented. Dr. Vincent Favrel, scientific officer of the EC Brussels and the supervisor of the SPECTRA- PERSEUS project took part in this workshop. The workshop opened by Prof. Ing. arch. Robert Špaček, PhD., vice-rector of the STU, who emphasised the importance of European research projects for the research at the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava.

The European research project SPECTRA-PERSEUS "Permanent Research in Spatial Development in the Context of EU Enlargement and Information Society Advancement" (Principal contractor: Prof. Ing. arch. Maroš Finka, PhD.), which is under the research of the Institute of Spatial Planning and Urban Design of the Faculty of Architecture, in the SPECTRA Centre of Excellence. The project is running in the period from 1.1.2003 to 31.12.2005 and is covering all the research, scientific and institutional activities of the to Spectra Centre. The project is just in the mid-term of its run, where the mid-term assessment report and presentation of the achieved results is required.

The mid-term assessment workshop of the SPECTRA-PERSEUS project was held on 2nd September 2004 in the SPECTRA Centre in Bratislava. All the results and fulfilled goals of the 1st half of the project run were summarised and presented there. The project is divided in 8 work packages

(WPs), which are led by the team leaders (Assoc. Prof. D. Petříková, PhD. - WP1 and WP5, Assoc. Prof. L. Vitková, PhD. - WP3, Ing. arch. J. Coplák, PhD. - WP2 and WP7, RNDr. I. Belčáková, PhD. - WP4, Mgr. M. Jaššo, PhD. - WP6 and WP8), who presented the activities of the individual WPs. To the most important activities belongs organisation of the international conferences at the Faculty of Architecture of the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava to the topic of networking and cooperation in the field of the research in spatial planning. The conference "It Works or It Networks" was held in September 2003 and the conference "Research in Spatial Development and Planning" was held in cooperation with the ARL Hannover in June 2004 and its results have been delivered to the European Commission in Brussels in the form of the Memorandum of the Conference on Research in Spatial Planning and will serve as the background document for setting the priorities in the 7th Framework Programme for Research and Technology Development of the EC Brussels. Among the others cooperators of the project who attended the mid-term assessment workshop are: Ing. arch. P. Nahálka, PhD., Ing. arch. H. Pifko, PhD., Ing. arch. J. Furdík, PhD., Prof. L. Petránsky, Dr.Sc., Mgr. L. Kubo and scientific secretary of the FA STU Ing. A. Holmanová, PhD.

Dr. Vincent Favrel from the EC Brussels appreciated the project very much and was impressed by the many successful activities run within the project, especially networking, support to PhD. study and young researchers and opening new fields in research as well as participation of the SPECTRA Centre in the international research projects of the 5th and 6th FP of the European Communities, INTERREG IIIB, Culture 2000, LEONARDO da VINCI and MARIA CURIE.

