

Statement of the Partners of Visegrad Group Academies Forum

Following the approval of Act No. 243/2017 on Public Research Institution approved by the Slovak government

the Partner Academies of Sciences of Visegrad Group Forum, the Austrian Academy of Sciences and the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts fully support the transformation of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS) institutes into Public Research Institutions and appeal to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic to enable this transformation entering SAS organizations in the register with effect from 1 July 2018 in accordance with the wording of that law.

The Academies express their deep concern that such legal uncertainty will threaten not only the economic stability of SAS institutes, but the very existence of the Slovak Academy of Sciences and the work of its scientists. We hereby appeal to the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic to eliminate this legal vacuum.



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