

3-Day Conference Programme
**“Challenges and opportunities of International Cooperation
in Horizon 2020”**

18 – 20 June 2012, Bonn/Germany

Objectives

During the one day conference, the following objectives are foreseen:

- share information on international S&T cooperation
- examine experiences of international S&T partnerships
- collect the views of third countries towards international cooperation
- outline the frame for international cooperation in Horizon 2020
- discuss challenges and opportunities of international cooperation in Horizon 2020

Participants (around 120-150) - open to all stakeholders interested in international scientific cooperation

- INCO NCPs
- Representatives of EU Member States
- European Commission (DG RTD, DG DEVCO) and EEAS
- FP7 project coordinators with international partners

Location

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Draft agenda

18 June 2012	
Project meetings and other side events	
open to project members only	
10.00 – 12.00	- SEA-EU-Net consortium meeting (Part I)
13.00 – 15.00	- INCONTACT consortium meeting - SEA-EU-Net consortium meeting (Part II)
15.30 – 17.30	- INCONTACT policy dialogue platform meeting - EU-Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA)
open to all stakeholders interested in international scientific cooperation	
19.00	- Welcome drink and poster exhibition "Eye of the Sky" - satellite images of the human impact on ecosystems (in South East Asia)

19 June 2012	
Open conference: "Challenges and opportunities of International Cooperation in Horizon 2020"	
9.00-9.30	Participants registration
9.30-10.30	Opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome words <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o <i>State Secretary Dr. Georg Schütte (BMBF) (tbc)</i> o <i>EC</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction of INCONTACT (<i>Epaminondas Christofilopoulos, INCONTACT Coordinator</i>)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Key note: International cooperation in research and innovation policies (<i>Prof. Donald B. Dingwell, Secretary-General European Research Council</i>)
10.30-11.00	Coffee & tea break
11.00-12.20	<p>Session 1 International cooperation – from FP7 to Horizon 2020 <i>Room: Wolfgang-Paul Saal, Uni Club</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation: Statistics on International cooperation in FP7 (<i>Andrea Grimm, EU-Bureau of the BMBF</i>) - Presentation: Experience of cooperation at regional, multilateral level – horizontal ERA-Nets (<i>Dr. Jörn Sonnenburg, International Bureau of the BMBF, Representative ERA-Net RUS</i>) - Presentation: A view from outside the EU: NCP work and regional networking (<i>Simon Grimley, FP7 INCO NCP from Thailand</i>) - Questions and answers section
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation: Horizon 2020 – an overview (<i>John Claxton, EC, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Research</i>)
12.20-13.30	Buffet lunch
	<p>Session 2 Breakout groups: perspectives for international cooperation in Horizon 2020</p> <p>The objective of the breakout groups is to exchange views on the international dimension of the Horizon 2020 proposal. An EC representative will introduce the subject in each group, followed by short presentations by one representative of an international partner country and a representative of an EU Member State. The main objective is to collect views from the participants on how international cooperation should be promoted efficiently in Horizon</p>

	<p>2020.</p> <p>Breakout group 1: Excellent Science Moderation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Olivier Küttel</i> (EUResearch, Switzerland) - <i>Christoph Elineau</i> (DLR, Germany) <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Gerasimos Apostolatos</i> (EC, DG Research) - <i>Susan Kentner</i> (Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres) - <i>Dr. Nitsara Karoonuthaisiri</i> (BIOTEC, Thailand, currently Marie Curie IIF at Queens University Belfast) - <i>Prof Shana J. Sturla</i> (ETH Zurich, ERC grantee) <p>Breakout group 2: Industrial leadership Moderation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ralf König</i> (Austrian Research Promotion Agency, FFG) - <i>Michael Guth</i> (ZENIT GmbH) <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>EC</i> - <i>Roland Sommer</i> (Director of Public-Private Affairs, AVL List GMBH) - <i>Dr. Irina Sharova</i> (Russian Academy of Sciences) <p>Breakout group 3: Societal challenges Moderation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Epaminondas Christofilopoulos</i> (PRAXI / HELP-FORWARD Network, Greece) - <i>Yuriy Zaytsev</i> (National Research University, Higher School of Economics, Russia) <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>John Claxton</i> (EC, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Research) - <i>Dr. Xing Jijun</i> (Chinese Centre for Science and Technology, China) - <i>Toshiyasu ICHIOKA</i> (EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation, Japan) - <i>Nick Perkins</i> (Science and Development Network SciDev.Net, United Kingdom) - <i>Andrea Ricci</i> (Institute of Studies for the Integration of Systems)
13.30-15.30	<p>Session 3: Exhibition "Eye of the Sky" - satellite images of the human impact on ecosystems (in South East Asia) (+ Coffee and Tea break)</p>
15.30-16.00	<p>Session 4: Challenges and opportunities of International Cooperation in Horizon 2020</p>

16.00-16:30	Rapporteurs' summary of breakout session
16.30-16:40	Report of the INCONTACT policy dialogue platform
16:45-17:45	<p>High-ranking panel discussion - Chaired by <i>Klaus Uckel</i> (German Federal Ministry of Research and Education, Head of Unit)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>John Claxton</i> (EC, Deputy Head of Unit, DG Research) - <i>Prof. Manfred Horvat</i> (Honorary Professor, Vienna University of Technology) - <i>Dr Riitta Mustonen</i> (Chair of SFIC) - <i>Dr. Monica Dietl</i> (COST Office Director) - <i>Roland Sommer</i> (Director of Public-Private Affairs, AVL List GMBH)
17:45	Conclusions of the Chair
	<p>Outlook INCO-Conference 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Jean Albergel</i> (IRD coordinator on European Affairs)
19.30-22.30	Boat trip on the Rhine with a joint dinner

20 June 2012	
NCP Networking Day	
open to the INCO NCPs only	
09.00-12.00	NCP-meeting
12.00-13.00	Lunch
13.00-16.00	NCP-training