

1st INCO Conference: "Supporting Research Integration" Athens, 9-10 June 2010

Venue: Hotel Royal Olympic

(28-34, Athanasiou Diakou Str. 117 43, Athens, Greece)

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Day 1: Wednesday 9/6/2010 • INCO NCPs Day	
09.00-09.30	Registration of participants
09.30-13.00	<p>Session 1: INCO NCP Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • The International Dimension of the European Research Framework Program <i>Mr. Robert Burmanjer, Head of Unit D3, DG Research</i> • The Strategic Framework for International Cooperation: New initiatives to develop the partnership between the EU Member States and the Commission in the area of International Cooperation on S&T <i>Mr. Heiko Prange-Gstoehl, Unit D2, DG Research</i>
11.00-11.30	Coffee break
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The International Cooperation Activities of the Capacities Programme: state of play and future perspectives in the Work Programme 2011 <i>Mr. Philippe Froissard, Deputy Head of Unit D3, DG Research</i> • Financial Reporting: rules and regulations <i>Mr. Alexis Loncke, Head of Unit D4, DG Research</i> • Scientific Reporting: electronic submission of reports and deliverables <i>Ms Anne Mandenoff, Unit A1, DG Research</i> • INCONTACT Update and Planning <i>Mr. Epaminondas Christofilopoulos, PRAXI/HELP-FORWARD Network</i>
13.00-14.30	Lunch Break
14.30-18.15	<p>Session 2: INCO NCP Advanced Training</p> <p><i>Welcome and introduction to the training session</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to communicate / disseminate research <i>Mrs Rhonda Smith, MINERVA PRC</i> • Open discussion (Q/A) • NCP office management, monitoring and assessment tools <i>Prof. Nikos Melanitis, PRAXI/HELP-FORWARD Network</i> • Open discussion (Q/A)
20.00	Networking Dinner



Day 2: Thursday 10/6/2010 • Open Day for International Research Collaboration

09.00-09.30 **Registration of participants**

09.30-12.30 **Session 1: Research Policies Towards Global Challenges**

Chaired by: Prof. Costas Fotakis, Director of Institute of Electronic Structure & Laser (IESL - FORTH) and Professor of Physics

Rapporteur: Dr. Yasser Elshayeb, Egyptian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR)

- **Welcome speech**

Prof. Achilleas Mitsos, General Secretary, General Secretariat for Research and Technology, Ministry of Education, Lifelong Learning and Religious Affairs

- **Realizing the European Research Area: key challenges**

Dr. Leonidas Karapiperis, Advisor, DG Research, European Commission

- **Collaborations with U.S. Researchers -- Obstacles and Opportunities**

Dr. David Stonner, Head of the Europe Office, National Science Foundation (USA)

- **Improving the governance of multilateral cooperation in STI for global challenges**

Dr. Iain Gillespie, Head of Science & Technology Policy Division, Directorate for Science, Technology and Industry, OECD

11.15-11.45 **Coffee break**

- **Scientific Policy in the Arab Peninsula**

Dr. Mohammad Al Badrani, Assistant Director, Directorate of International Cooperation, King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology (KACST), Saudi Arabia

- **Diversification Through Research in the Arab Peninsula: opportunities for international collaboration**

Dr. Samir Hamrouni, Senior Advisor – Science & Technology – Dubai Institute of Technology (DIT)/ Technopark (UAE)

12.30-13.30 **Lunch break**

13.30-15.00 **Session 2: Scientific policies in third countries and FP7**

Moderator: Michele Genovese, DG Research

Rapporteur: Mrs Liliana Proskuryakova, HSE

Round Table discussion: "The Way Forward: a shared vision for enhanced EU-third countries cooperation in FP7". Issues for discussion:

- *What common global challenges / research priorities may be addressed through FP7?*
- *Is there room for enhancing the cooperation? Present state and the perspectives of selected third countries (from Africa, LA and EECA regions) participation in the EU RTD-Framework Programme*
- *Effective cooperation in the sphere of S&T and innovation: models and instruments*



	<p>Key contributors:</p> <p>INCONET Project Coordinators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Andy Cherry, CAAST-net coordinator • Dr. George Bonas, EECA-net coordinator • Dr. Diassina Di Maggio, Director APRE, Central America and Caribbean nets coordinator • Prof. Angeles Rodriguez Peña, EULARNET-coordinator (tbc) <p>Regional INCO NCPs representatives (selected countries):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Daan du Toit, DST, South Africa • Mr. Hector Efren Samano Rocha • Mrs Liliana Proskuryakova, INCO NCP in Russia, University - Higher School of Economics (EECA region)
15.00-15.30	Coffee break
15.30-17.00	<p>Session 3: Feedback From Active INCO Projects: learning by doing</p> <p>Moderator: Epaminondas Christofilopoulos, PRAXI/HELP-FORWARD Network</p> <p>Rapporteur: Mr. Constantine Vaitsas, PRAXI/HELP-FORWARD Network</p> <hr/> <p>Round Table discussion: "Lessons Learned by the BILAT Activites"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disseminating FP7 information to local researches • The outcome of cooperation with the Thematic NCPs • Synergies or problems appeared in the cooperation between the European and the Local partners or stakeholders • Main milestones achieved <p>Key contributors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India BILAT activity, Mrs Bodil Palmberg, EuropaMedia • Morocco BILAT activity Mrs Sanaa Zebakh (TBC), Chef de service -Responsable PIN Maroc sur les PCRD Europeens Direction de la Technologie - MENESFCRS-Maroc • USA BILAT activity, Mr Ralf Koenig, FFG • Ukraine BILAT activity, Mrs Aurelie Pachkoff, CNRS • South Africa BILAT activity, Mr Daan Du Toit, DST • Argentina BILAT activity Mrs Monica Silenzi, MINCYT • China BILAT activity, Epaminondas Christofilopoulos, PRAXI/HELP-FORWARD Network
17.00-17.30	<p>Wrap-up session</p> <p>Chaired by: Epaminondas Christofilopoulos, INCONTACT coordinator</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Yasser Elshayeb, APRE, Rapporteur session 1 • Mrs Liliana Proskuryakova, Rapporteur session 2 • Mr. Constantine Vaitsas, Rapporteur session 3

