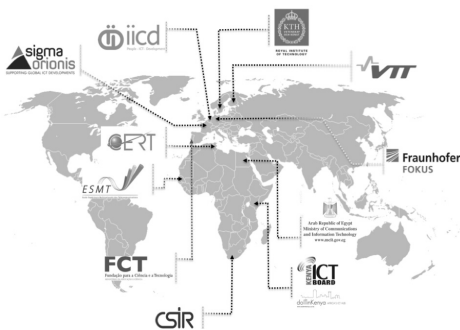# EuroAfrica-P8
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EuroAfrica-P8 is a FP7 project funded by the European Commission (DG CONNECT) under the 'Cooperation Programme' and spanning 24 months (2012-2013) with the aim of strengthening ICT research and policy links between Africa and Europe under the '8th Strategic Partnership on Science, Information Society and Space' (the so-called Partnership 8). The project builds upon the substantial results obtained and the significant momentum created by several previous projects (2006+), designated - over the years - as 'the EuroAfrica-ICT Initiative'.

Supporting the implementation of the '8th Strategic Partnership' and the JEG8 activities	Encouraging African participation in EU-funded programmes (ICT theme)	Connecting researchers & practitioners to strengthen collaborative projects	Underpinning Euro-African joint ICT research priorities
▶ Assist the day-to-day operation of the P8/ICT Implementation/Expert Groups	▶ Raise awareness on FP7-Horizon 2020 opportunities and facilitate networking through events (Cooperation Forums / Awareness Workshops / Thematic Working Group Meetings) organised both in Europe & Africa	▶ Offer opportunities for dialogue to all stakeholders in the field (Cooperation Forums / Awareness Workshops / Thematic Working Group Meetings) both in Europe & Africa	▶ Build on the outcomes of the EuroAfrica-ICT.org project as well as new trends to analyse and identify Euro-Africa joint ICT research priorities
▶ Ensure a broader mobilisation of EU-African stakeholder communities in the P8/ICT related meetings	▶ Use the EuroAfrica-ICT database of African ICT Research Institutes to facilitate connections between interested parties	▶ Maintain an online database of African ICT Research Institutes and appoint EuroAfrica-ICT contact points in leading institutes	▶ Provide recommendations for future cooperation initiatives
▶ Raise awareness on P8/ICT objectives, achievements & main activities	▶ Provide guidance to African & European stakeholders willing to engage in ICT collaborative research and looking for advice on FP best practices	▶ Produce two iterations of an e-Consultation aimed at achieving strategic coordination with other initiatives or programmes sharing similar or related objectives	▶ Produce zoom/case studies (success stories, innovative ICT research/technological developments or results in specific African countries or regions)
▶ Identify, analyse & map joint ICT research priorities between the two regions	▶ Sharing knowledge, best practices and useful background information	▶ Encourage stakeholders to join the EuroAfrica-ICT community on LinkedIn and follow the EuroAfrica-ICT Initiative on Twitter	▶ Form 5 consortia working on joint EU-Africa research proposals demonstrating the return on investments in e-Infrastructures
▶ Provide evidence-based recommendations for future cooperation initiatives			▶ Enhance and regularly update the EuroAfrica-ICT database of African ICT Research Institutes with information relevant to research expertise and focus areas
▶ Contribute to the P8 related meetings with presentations and background papers (including zoom or case studies, reports, guides, white papers, manifests and declarations)			