



**8th  
Concertation  
Meeting**

**June 23, 2010  
Brussels, Belgium  
Radisson Hotel**

**WHAT?** - The EuroAfrica-ICT EU-funded Project aims at enhancing S&T cooperation on ICT research between sub-Saharan Africa and Europe.

**HOW?** - By ■ Supporting EuroAfrica-ICT policy dialogues ■ Strengthening concertation/synergies between key stakeholders in the field ■ Supporting the development of emerging Euro-African collaborative projects on ICT research ■ Raising awareness on FP7 and ICT ■ Developing a web-based communication platform.

**WHY?** - An increasing number of regional, national and international initiatives addressing Euro-Africa S&T cooperation in ICT have been developed in the last few years. EuroAfrica-ICT concertation meetings (aiming at facilitating closer interaction and the development of synergies between the EuroAfrica-ICT initiative and these other related initiatives) have therefore been launched in 2006 and are organised in Brussels on a regular basis by the EuroAfrica-ICT project.

**AGENDA**  
AS OF JUNE 9, 2010

**Radisson Blu Royal Hotel**

Rue du Fossé aux loups, 47 - 1000 Brussels, Belgium - Tel: +32 / 2 219 2828

**A workshop organised by the European Commission (DG INFSO, International Relations Unit)  
with the support of the EuroAfrica-ICT FP7 project**

**MODERATORS**

**Karine Valin** - Managing Director, Sigma Orionis & Project Coordinator, EuroAfrica-ICT  
**Thierry Devars** - Scientific Officer, International Relations Unit, DG INFSO, European Commission

**08:30 am WELCOME OF PARTICIPANTS & REGISTRATIONS**

**09:30 am WELCOME ADDRESS & INTRODUCTION OF PARTICIPANTS**

**Karine Valin**

Managing Director, Sigma Orionis  
& Coordinator, EuroAfrica-ICT EU/FP7 Project

**09:50 am COOPERATION PERSPECTIVES ON ICT WITH SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA**

09:50 am

**Roland Zinzius**

Deputy Head of Unit, 'Pan-African Issues' Sector  
Directorate-General Development (DG DEV) and Relations with African, Caribbean and Pacific States, European Commission

*Implementation of the Africa-EU Joint Strategy and Action Plan - Recent developments and perspectives*

10:00 am

**Fadila Boughanemi**

Policy Officer in charge of S&T Cooperation with ACP Countries, Unit D1 (International Dimension of the Framework Programme)





Directorate-General RESEARCH (DG RTD), European Commission

***EU-Africa cooperation in the 7th Framework Programme - Status & Perspectives***

10:10 am

**Thierry Devars**

Scientific Officer, International Relations Unit (A4)

Directorate-General Information Society & Media (DG INFSO), European Commission

***Recent developments and perspectives for EU-Africa cooperation on ICT Introduction to the draft ICT Work Programme 2011-2012 & to Call 7 (FP7-ICT-2010-7)***

10:20 am

**Leonardo Flores**

Scientific Officer, International Cooperation, Unit F3 'GEANT & e-Infrastructures' Directorate-General Information Society & Media (DG INFSO), European Commission

***Update on AfricaConnect and the FEAST feasibility study for interconnection of sub-Saharan Africa to GEANT & Introduction to Call 9 (FP7- Infrastructures-2011-2)***

Q&A Session

**11:00 am COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING**

**11:30 am THE 2010 EURO-AFRICA WEEK ON ICT RESEARCH & E-INFRASTRUCTURES (DEC. 6-10, HELSINKI)**

**Karine Valin**

Managing Director, Sigma Orionis  
& Coordinator, EuroAfrica-ICT EU/FP7 Project

**11:45 am KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**Ilari Lindy**

Counsellor, Information Society for Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), Finnish Government  
***The EU-AU Partnership on Science, ICT and Space (Partnership 8) - Update on the ICT theme***

**12:15 pm BUFFET LUNCH & NETWORKING**

**01:30 pm SHARING VISIONS & EXPERIENCES**

01:30 pm

**Nicolas Chevrollier**

ICT4D Team Leader, TNO Information and Communication Technology (Netherlands)  
***Inclusive Innovation***

01:40 pm

**Christian Merz**

Senior Researcher, SAP Research (Germany)  
***Living Labs - Collaboration platforms for open innovation***

01:50 pm

**Tshepang Mosiea**





Project Officer - Meraka Institute of CSIR (South Africa)  
**Cooperation with Europe - Sharing experience**

02:00 pm

**Speaker TBA**

Nokia

**InfoDev/WorldBank, Finland, Nokia partnership to support innovation on ICT**

02:10 pm

**Mohamadou Arabani Saibou**

Director, ESMT - Ecole Supérieure Multinationale des Télécommunications (Senegal)

**Cooperation with Europe - Sharing experience**

02:20 pm

**Bernard Yvetot**

Vice President Strategy International Business, France Telecom / Orange (France)

**Presentation title TBA**

02:30 pm

**David Cromar**

Director, Solvebrand Ltd

**The African Incubator Network**

02:40 pm

**Speaker TBA**

Ericsson

**Presentation title TBA**

Q&A Session

03:15 pm

**COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING**

03:45 pm

**IDENTIFYING ICT POLICY AND RESEARCH PRIORITIES - SPECIFIC WORKSHOP**

**Tshepang Mosiea**

EuroAfrica-ICT Project Partner (in charge of identifying & analysing ICT policy & research priorities)  
Project Manager, the Meraka Institute, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research

**Andrew J. Cherry**

EuroAfrica-ICT Project Partner (in charge producing recommendations to the EC)  
CAAST-Net Coordinator  
The Africa Unit, Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), United Kingdom

04:45 pm

**WORKSHOP CONCLUSIONS**

05:00 pm

**End of the 8<sup>th</sup> Concertation Meeting**

### EuroAfrica-ICT Partnership

- ▶ ACU - The Association of Commonwealth Universities, UK
- ▶ AUF - The Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie, Belgium
- ▶ CSIR - The Meraka Institute of CSIR, South Africa
- ▶ KIST - The Kigali Institute of Science and Technology, Rwanda
- ▶ MAKERERE - The Makerere University, Uganda
- ▶ SIGMA - Sigma Orionis, France (Project Coordinator)
- ▶ TWAS - The Academy of sciences for the developing world, Italy