



**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 23, 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  
**Strengthening African-European cooperation in ICT  
The FP7/ICT Programme**
- 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 FEAST & 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

**11:35 am KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**Ilari Lindy (could not attend at the very last minute)**  
Counsellor, Information Society for Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), Finnish Government  
European Vice-Chair ICT, JEG8 (Joint Expert Group, Partnership 8)  
**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 **Daan du Toit**  
Minister Counsellor (S&T): South African Mission to the EU  
Senior S&T Representative to the EU: South African Department of S&T  
**Perspectives on South Africa's participation in FP7 ICT**



- 02:00 pm **James Waterworth**  
Director, EU Representative Office, Nokia (Belgium)  
**Nokia, Finnish Government & infoDev Partnership “Creating Sustainable Businesses in the Knowledge Economy”**
- 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)  
**France Telecom / Orange - Development strategy in Africa**
- 02:30 pm **David Cromar**  
Director, Solvebrand Ltd (UK)  
**The African Incubator Network**

Q&A Session

**03:15 pm COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING**

**03:45 pm IDENTIFYING ICT POLICY AND RESEARCH PRIORITIES - SPECIFIC WORKSHOP**

**Daan du Toit**

Minister Counsellor (S&T): South African Mission to the EU  
Senior S&T Representative to the EU: South African Department of S&T  
On behalf of CSIR, EuroAfrica-ICT Project Partner (in charge of identifying & analysing ICT policy & research priorities)

**Andrew J. Cherry**

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

**04:45 pm WORKSHOP CONCLUSIONS**

**05:00 pm End of the 8<sup>th</sup> Concertation Meeting**

<p><b>EuroAfrica-ICT Partnership</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› ACU - The Association of Commonwealth Universities, UK</li> <li>› AUF - The Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie, Belgium</li> <li>› CSIR - The Meraka Institute of CSIR, South Africa</li> <li>› KIST - The Kigali Institute of Science and Technology, Rwanda</li> <li>› MAKERERE - The Makerere University, Uganda</li> <li>› SIGMA - Sigma Orionis, France (Project Coordinator)</li> <li>› TWAS - The Academy of sciences for the developing world, Italy</li> </ul>		
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