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**7th
Concertation
Meeting**
**Oct. 1, 2009
Brussels, Belgium
Radisson Hotel**

WHAT? - The EuroAfriCa-ICT Project aims at enhancing S&T cooperation on ICT research between sub-Saharan Africa, the Caribbean and Europe.

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

An increasing number of regional, national and international initiatives addressing Euro-Africa S&T cooperation in ICT have been developed. EuroAfriCa-ICT concertation meetings have therefore been launched in the framework of the START FP6 project and are still organised on a regular basis by the EuroAfrica-ICT project. These meetings are organised every 6 months in Brussels, Belgium

TENTATIVE AGENDA
(as of July 3, 2009)
**A workshop organised by the European Commission (DG INFSO)
with the support of the EuroAfriCa-ICT FP7 project**
MODERATORS FOR THE WHOLE DAY

Karine Valin - Managing Director, Sigma Orionis & Project Coordinator, EuroAfriCa-ICT

Roger Torrenti - CEO, Sigma Orionis & Project Advisor, EuroAfriCa-ICT

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

09:30 am **OPENING ADDRESS**

Jean-François Soupizet

Head of Unit, International Relations, Directorate-General Information Society & Media (DG INFSO), EC

09:45 am **COOPERATION PERSPECTIVES ON ICT WITH SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA**

- 09:45 am **Jean-François Soupizet**
Head of Unit, International Relations, Directorate-General Information Society & Media (DG INFSO), European Commission
Recent developments and perspectives for EU-Africa cooperation on ICT & Call 5 (FP7-ICT-2009-5)
- 10:00 am **Carmen Mena-Abella**
Policy Officer, International Cooperation, Unit F3 'GEANT & e-Infrastructures' - Directorate-General Information Society & Media (DG INFSO), European Commission
Recent developments and perspectives for EU-Africa cooperation on ICT & Call 7 (FP7-Infrastructures-2009-2)
- 10:15 am **Roland Zinzius**
Head of the 'Pan-African Issues' Sector - Directorate-General Development (DG DEV), European Commission
Implementation of the Africa-EU JSAP (Joint Strategy and Action Plan)
- 10:30 am **Fadila Boughanemi**
Policy Officer, Directorate-General RESEARCH (DG RTD), European Commission

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Q&A Session

11:00 am

COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING

11:30 am

THE EUROAFRICA-ICT FP7 PROJECT - PROVIDING SUPPORT & GUIDANCE

Karine Valin

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

11:45 am

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Valerie D'Costa

Programme Manager, the World Bank
The Information for Development (infoDev) program

12:30 pm

BUFFET LUNCH & NETWORKING

02:00 pm

INCLUDING SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA IN ETPs (EUROPEAN TECHNOLOGY PLATFORMS) SRA (STRATEGIC RESEARCH AGENDAS)

- 02:00 pm **Pierre-Yves Danet**
Board Member, the NEM (Networked & Electronic Media) ETP
- 02:15 pm **Véronique Pevtschin**
Board Member, the NESSI (Networked European Software & Services Initiative) ETP
- 02:30 pm **Christine Leurquin**
Board Member, the ISI (Integral Satcom Initiative) ETP
- 02:45 pm **Fiona Williams**
Board Member, the eMobility (Mobile & Wireless Communications) ETP
- 03:00 pm **Sebastian Lange**
Board Member, the ePOSS (Smart Systems Integration) ETP

03:15 pm

COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING

03:45 pm

SHARING EXPERIENCE...

- 03:45 pm **Stéphane Boyera *****
Digital Divide Lead, W3C
Digital World Forum - The use of low-cost technologies to bridge the digital divide
- 04:00 pm **Stephen Benians**
BELIEF II Project Coordinator
BELIEF II - Bringing Europe's eElectronic Infrastructures to Expanding Frontiers
- 04:15 pm **Nigel Jefferies**
Forum Chair - Vodaphone Group
The Wireless World Research Forum - WWRf
- 04:30 pm **Speaker TBA**
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The EuroAfriCa-ICT project partnership consists of 9 organisations from sub-Saharan Africa, the Caribbean and Europe: ■ **Sigma Orionis** (France), Project Coordinator ■ the **Meraka Institute of the CSIR** (South Africa) ■ the **Panos Institute West Africa - PIWA** (Senegal) ■ the **Academy of Sciences for the Developing World - TWAS** (Italy) ■ the **Association of Commonwealth Universities, Africa Unit - ACU** (United Kingdom) ■ the **Makerere University** (Uganda) ■ the **Kigali Institute of Science and Technology - KIST** (Rwanda) ■ the **Caribbean Academy of Science - CAS** (Jamaica) ■ the **Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie - AUF** (Belgium)

04:45 pm

WORKSHOP CONCLUSIONS BY K. VALIN & R. TORRENTI

05:00 pm

End of the 7th Concertation Meeting

*** You are cordially invited to attend the **Digital World Forum** Event to be held on Sept. 30 in Brussels too (www.digitalworldforum.eu)