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Connecting sub-Saharan Africa & the European Union for ICT partnerships under FP7

Concertation Meeting

**Dec. 13-14, 2006
Brussels**

A meeting inviting organisations and individuals involved in EU - (sub-Saharan) Africa cooperation in ICT research to exchange their experiences and visions, and to develop synergies between their activities, at a time when the European Commission's seventh framework programme (FP7) is launched.

Draft Agenda
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December 13, 2006

06:00 pm **Euro-Africa Networking Cocktail**
Sponsored by
the **ESASTAP programme** *(EU - South African cooperation)*
in liaison with the **EuroAfrica-ICT initiative** *(EU - sub-Saharan African cooperation)*

**Venue
ACP Secretariat
Av. Georges Henri, 451
Brussels
(www.acpsec.org)**

December 14, 2006

09:30 am Welcome coffee

10:00 am **Welcome address by the moderator**

Roger Torrenti
CEO Orionis
Advisor of the START IST project

**Venue
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Rue Gineste, 3
Brussels
(www.crowneplazabrussels.be)**

10:10 am **Opening address: "ICT & International cooperation: from FP6 to FP7"**
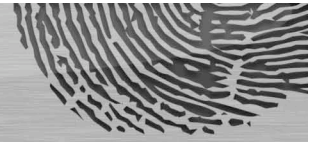
Thierry Devars
Project Officer
International Relations Unit, DG information Society and Media, European Commission

10:25 am **Keynote Address: "EU-Africa S&T cooperation on ICT: experience and vision"**

Daan du Toit
Senior Science and Technology Representative in Europe
South African Mission to the European Union

10:40 am **Introduction of projects and initiatives**

- **The START IST Project** (Karine Valin, Orionis, Coordinator of the START project)
- **The IST-Africa IST Project** (Miriam Cunningham, IIMC, Coordinator of the IST-Africa project)

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- **The eLearning Africa initiative** (Leopold Reif, Hoffmann & Reif Consultancy)
- **The EPOCH IST Project** (David Arnold, University of Brighton, Coordinator of the EPOCH project)
- **The SIMILAR IST Project** (Benoît Macq, Université Catholique de Louvain, Coordinator of the SIMILAR project)
- **The Sarima initiative** (Bernard Philippe, INRIA, Coordinator of the Sarima Initiative)
- **The BEANISH IST Project** (Jorn Braa, University of Oslo, Coordinator of the BEANISH project)
- **The OPAALS IST Project** (Alexis Rwabizambuga, London School of Economics, Partner of the OPAALS project)
- **The C@R IST Project** (Elena Lizan, Tragsa Group, Member of the C@R project)
- **ICT, Higher Education and Research in sub-Saharan Africa: the Experience of AUF** (Erol Kulahci, Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie)
- **The role of S&T and innovations in the Finnish development policy** (Jyrki Pulkkinen, Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs)

12:30 am   **Lunch & networking**

01:30 pm   **Introduction of projects and initiatives (Ctd)**

- **The ST-EAP Project** (Fadila Boughanémi, EC)
- **The Mobile Web to bridge the Digital Divide** (Stephane Boyera, W3C)
- **The ESASTAP IST Project** (Mmboneni Muofhe, DST)
- **Traffic safety & infrastructure protection – ICT Cooperation with Tanzania** (Rigobert Opitz, ROC)
- **What kind of compatibility between ICTs & non formal economy?** (Annie Chéneau-Loquay, CNRS, Coordinator of the Africanti programme, Coordinator of gdri Netsuds)
- **Applying ICTs to science communication for development** (David Dickson, SciDev.Net)
- **ICT & Education for Sustainable Development - From WSIS to the $100 laptop & Education 2.0.** (Roland Burger & Raoul Weiler, Digilab)
- **The African Diaspora: supporting ICT-enhanced development activities in Africa** (Vincent Okele, African Axis)
- **The 6DISS IST Project** (Martin Potts, Martel GmbH, Coordinator of the 6DISS project)
- **The SIMBA IST Project** (Julia Wu, Ertico, Coordinator of the SIMBA project)
- **The International Dimension of Marie Curie** (Georges Bingen, EC)
- **ENISA - Facilitating collaboration in Network & Information Security** (Ilary Lindy, ENISA)
- **Knowledge Infrastructure for African Agricultural Research: case studies on NARIMS (Egypt) & KAINET (Kenya)** (Johannes Keizer, FAO-UN)
- **The Geant2 Initiative** (by the EC or DANTE)
- **Presentation title TBC** (Flavio Zeni, UNDESA)

04:00 pm   **Coffee break and open discussion: developing synergies and joining forces**

05:00 pm   **End of the meeting**

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