

# IST-Africa 2009

## Call for Papers

### Republic of Uganda

6 - 8 May 2009

#### Thematic Priorities

- eHealth – Health Information Systems
- eInfrastructures
- Technology Enhanced Learning and ICT Skills
- Digital Libraries and Intelligent Content
- Open Source Software - Applications
- ICT for eInclusion and eAccessibility
- ICT for Environmental Sustainability
- RFID and Networked Enterprise
- eGovernment – Services to Citizens & Business

#### Deadlines

- Online Submission Deadline: **28 November 2008**
- Provisional Acceptance: **16 January 2009**
- Submission of Final Paper: **20 February 2009**
- Presenter Registration: **9 March 2009**

#### Submission of Papers

- Paper Focus – Technical, Visionary, Business or Government Case Studies
- Papers must highlight Level of Innovation, as well as Actual or Expected Impact
- Papers must present either a Case Study, or Analysis of Initial or Final Research Results
- All Papers must be 4,000 - 5,000 words in length & use the **IST-Africa** Paper Template

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## Conference Focus

Part of the **IST-Africa Initiative**, which is supported by the European Commission under the Information Communications Technologies (ICT) Theme of Framework Programme 7 (FP7), **IST-Africa 2009** is the fourth in a series of annual technology research conferences that bring together representatives from leading commercial, government and research organisations around the world to bridge the Digital Divide by sharing knowledge, experience, lessons learnt and good practice, and identify opportunities for international research collaboration between Europe and Africa under the ICT Theme and Research Infrastructures (Capacities Programme) of Framework Programme 7 (FP7).

The **IST-Africa Conference Series** provides a platform to strengthen Information Society policy dialogues between Africa and Europe through Plenary Presentations and private bi-lateral and multi-lateral meetings, which complement the rich thematic knowledge exchange facilitated by the Scientific Programme. Each Conference puts a special emphasis on showcasing ICT Adoption, Innovation and Research Capacity in the Host Country (**IST-Africa 2006** - South Africa, **IST-Africa 2007** - Mozambique, **IST-Africa 2008** - Namibia).

## Event Profile

The **IST-Africa Conference Series** has a truly international perspective, attracting Ministerial participation, senior representatives from the European Commission, African Union Commission, NEPAD S&T, SADC Secretariat, UNECA, UNESCO and over 470 delegates from Europe and Africa.

Its reputation is based on high quality papers & interactive workshops showcasing innovative ICT research results and applications, whether funded privately, or at national, regional, international or European level. The participation of industry, government and research in the **IST-Africa Conference Community** ensures a stimulating and high quality networking environment, providing an opportunity to share knowledge and experience with potential research or exploitation partners. Each **IST-Africa Conference** places a special focus on Host Country activities, as well as sectoral and regional initiatives and success stories.

**IST-Africa 2009** will disseminate research results from FP6 and FP7, and focus on International Research Cooperation Opportunities for African organisations under the ICT Theme & Research Infrastructures (FP7). Special thematic tutorials will provide insight into specific European co-funded research opportunities.

## Call for Sponsors

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**IST-Africa 2008** Major Sponsors included the Ministry of Education (Namibia), Namibia Telecom, SPIDER Programme and SAP, with Technical Co-Sponsorship by IEEE.

## Publishing Schedule

- Draft Final Paper and Workshop Proposals submitted online by **28 November 2008**
- Provisional Acceptance of Draft Final Papers with IPC feedback provided on **16 January 2009**
- Final Papers to be submitted online by **20 February 2009** for editorial review & quality check
- Accepted Presenters must register and pay the Presenter Fee by **9 March 2009**
- The Conference Proceedings will be published on CD-Rom

## International Programme Committee

A distinguished International Programme Committee (IPC) is being formed by Paul Cunningham, the **IST-Africa** Conference Chair. The **IST-Africa 2009** IPC will evaluate and provide feedback on all final draft papers received, provide feedback on final presentations, and chair sessions.

## Conference Portal

For the most up to date information, please visit [www.IST-Africa.eu/Conference2009](http://www.IST-Africa.eu/Conference2009)