**Introduction**

**IST-Africa 2008** Conference & Exhibition takes place 07 - 09 May 2008 in Windhoek, Namibia. 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 2008** is the third in an Annual Conference Series bringing together delegates from leading commercial, government & research organisations, to bridge the Digital Divide by sharing knowledge, experience, lessons learnt & good practice.

European research activities are structured around consecutive multi-annual programmes, or so-called Framework Programmes. FP7 sets out the priorities - including the ICT Priority - for the period 2007-2013. ICT is fully open to international co-operation with the aim to join forces for addressing major challenges where significant added value is expected to be gained from a world-wide R&D cooperation. In this context, the European Commission co-funded the **IST-Africa Initiative** in order to promote the participation of African organisations to the ICT programme.

Hosted by the Government of Namibia and Technically Co-Sponsored by IEEE, **IST-Africa 2008** focuses on Applied IST research in the areas of eHealth, Technology Enhanced Learning and ICT Skills, Open Source Software, ICT for Inclusion, eInfrastructures, ICT for Environmental Risk Management, ICT for Networked Enterprise and eGovernment and eDemocracy. **IST-Africa 2008** will provide a collegiate setting for presentations and discussions of national & regional developments, issues of concern & good practice models, and networking with peers. **IST-Africa 2008** will also provide an opportunity to learn more about opportunities to participate in ICT Calls under Framework Programme 7 (FP7) and identify potential partners for future proposals.

The goals of the **IST-Africa** Conference Series are Community Building to facilitate EU-African research cooperation and successful exploitation of research results, to stimulate take-up of RTD results by industry and the public sector, to promote knowledge sharing between commercial, government and research organisations, to exchange experiences about the current state of eAdoption at a sectoral, national or regional level, and to support International Cooperation and open up the European Research Area (ERA) to Africa.

**Who will you meet?**

**IST-Africa 2008** Conference & Exhibition attracts policy makers, practitioners, and researchers from leading commercial, government and research organisations around the world. Unlike many research conferences, **IST-Africa** provides an opportunity to meet with senior managers, practitioners, project managers, software engineers and researchers from industry, government and research organisations. Delegates and speakers attend to share knowledge, experience and lessons learnt, and network with their peers from around the world.

**IST-Africa 2008** Conference & Exhibition also provides the unique opportunity to identify partners and opportunities to co-operate in international research projects co-funded by the European Commission under the FP7 ICT Programme. Much of the European research results presented in this year's conference were co-funded under the FP6 IST Programme.

**The Venue**

**IST-Africa 2008** Conference & Exhibition takes place in the Windhoek Country Club, Windhoek, Namibia.

**The Programme**

The 3-day programme features an invigorating mix of business and government case studies, technical and policy papers and interactive workshops. As well as opening and closing plenary sessions, delegates may participate in over 35 thematically focused parallel sessions featuring different aspects of International Cooperation, eHealth, eInfrastructures, Technology Enhanced Learning and ICT Skills, ICT for Inclusion, ICT for Networked Enterprise, ICT for Environmental Risk Management, and eGovernment and eDemocracy. Session Chairs will ensure active discussion and facilitate delegate participation.

There will also be tutorials organised by scientific officers from DG Information Society and Media of the European Commission in relation to specific thematic areas and up coming Calls for Proposals under FP7.

The conference programme is complemented by a demonstration and technology exploitation focused Exhibition and a Networking Reception which will take place on Wednesday 09 May 2008.

The programme is subject to change and the **IST-Africa 2008** Organising Committee reserves the right to alter the contents, venue and/or speakers.

**Networking**

Networking is a key feature of the **IST-Africa** Conference Series. Paper and workshop sessions are designed to maximise knowledge sharing by providing time for interactive discussions during the conference programme itself. Coffee breaks will take place in the Exhibition area to maximise exposure for technology demonstrations and posters and to facilitate informal one-on-one and small group discussions following paper or workshop sessions.

Social events are designed to facilitate informal discussion and the Cyber Café makes it easy to
follow up on opportunities or leads immediately.

The Delegate Showcase on the Conference Portal allows registered delegates, speakers and exhibitors to publish their own short profile and research interests to facilitate networking before, during and after the conference. Leverage this functionality to contact potential partners in advance and arrange to meet during the conference.

**Cyber Café**

**IST-Africa 2008** delegates may avail of the Internet and printing facilities provided by the **IST-Africa** Cyber Café. Make last minute changes to your conference presentation, follow up immediately on business, research and cooperation opportunities identified through networking at the conference, and keep in touch with the office, family and friends.

**Conference Proceedings**

The **IST-Africa 2008** conference proceedings will be published on CD-ROM and on the Conference Portal. Each delegate will receive a free copy of the conference proceedings at Registration.

Following the conference, registered delegates will have access to all PowerPoint presentations, which will be published on the Conference Portal.

**Security, Health and Safety**

Please wear your name badge for all **IST-Africa** activities, as it is your identification and allows you access to the facilities on offer. While the conference area is on a secure site and not open to the general public, it is still necessary to take care of bags, personal computers and other personal belongings.

While security staff will be present at the conference venue, the organisers cannot accept any responsibility for losses incurred or for personal health and safety. Delegates should ensure that they have personal health insurance and take due care when exploring the city of Windhoek. Any special needs or requirements should be notified to the Conference Secretariat as far in advance of the event as possible.

**Hotel Accommodation**

Conference rates have been negotiated for delegates and accompanying persons with two hotels in Windhoek: the Windhoek Country Club and Safari Hotel. More information on the Conference hotels and rates will be available online in February.

Conference hotel accommodation should be booked online on the **IST-Africa** Conference portal as part of conference registration.

Delegates are strongly recommended to book their accommodation early as it will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Hotel accommodation can only be confirmed upon receipt of the associated payment. For further information, please visit:

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**How to get there**

Windhoek International airport (Hosea Kutako International airport) is located 42 kilometres from Windhoek. More information in relation to transportation from the airport to the conference hotels will be published online in late February.

**Driving in Namibia**

In Namibia, all vehicles drive on the left hand side of the road as in the majority of the Southern Africa countries. It is compulsory to carry your driver license and the vehicle documentation at all times, as this must be produced on request at the roadblocks which lead in and out of Windhoek. Please ensure that your driver license is recognised in Namibia or apply for an International Drivers License in sufficient time prior to travelling. Seat belts must be worn at all times, and it is prohibited to use a mobile phone whilst driving.

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**Media Partners**

Media partners confirmed to date include eStrategies and The Parliament Magazine.

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Plenary Session Speakers

IST-Africa 2008 will be opened by His Excellency, Hifikepunye Pohamba, President of Republic of Namibia.

Other Keynote Speakers confirmed to date include:

- Honourable Nangolo Mbumba, Minister of Education, Namibia
- Honourable Dr Shukuru Kawambwa, Minister for Communications, Science and Technology, Tanzania
- Honourable Mosibudi Mangena, Minister of Science and Technology, South Africa
- Honourable Dr. Ham-Mukasa Mulira, Minister of Information and Communications Technology, Uganda
- Honourable Dr. Noah Wekesa, Minister for Science and Technology, Kenya
- Senior Representative, African Union Commission, Ethiopia
- Mr Peter Zangl, Deputy Director-General, DG Information Society and Media, European Commission
- Mr José Manuel Silva Rodríguez, Director-General, DG Research, European Commission
- Dr. Hakim Elwaer, Director, HRST, African Union Commission
- Dr. John Mugabe, NEPAD S&T
- Ms. Aida Opoku-Mensah, Director, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
- Dr. Shamila Nair-Bedouelle, Division of Science Policy and Sustainable Development, UNESCO
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A distinguished Programme Committee has been formed to review and provide feedback on papers and presentations, and chair sessions.

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Anthony Mupepa-Phiri, University of Malawi, Malawi
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Yahya Hamad Sheikh, The State University of Zanzibar / University of Oslo, United Republic of Tanzania
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Laurie Butgreta, Meraka Institute, South Africa
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Annette de Jager, meLearn Education, South Africa
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SADC Communication
Cecilia Mamolodi, SADC Secretariat, Botswana
Research Infrastructures
Carmen Mena Abela, einfrastructures Unit, DG Information Society & Media, European Commission, Belgium
Building Knowledge Capacity in Southern Africa
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Jens Kaasbøll, University of Oslo, Norway
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Louisa Williamson, University of Oslo, South Africa
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Benjamin Ogwo, Pennsylvania State University, United States
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Aljosa Pasic, ATOS Origin, Spain
Information Security, Access Controls and the Reliability of Intrusion Detection Systems
Nhlanhla Mlitwa, Cape Peninsula University, South Africa
Discussion

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Gudula Naiga Basaza, Uganda Martyrs University, Uganda
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Tulimevava Mufeti, University of Namibia, Namibia
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Isaac Obasi, University of Botswana, Botswana

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Lourino Chemane, UTICIT, Mozambique

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Adesina Ileyemi, University of Portsmouth, United Kingdom

Evaluating National Health Information Systems for Developing Countries
Kieran Sharpey-Schafer, University of Cape Town, South Africa

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Meke Shvuate, Polytechnical of Namibia, Namibia

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Dusan Soltes, Comenius University, Slovakia

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Andrew Smith, Meraka Institute, South Africa

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Edwin Blake, University of Cape Town, South Africa

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Chair: Adam Turowiec, ITTI, Czech Republic

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Adam Turowiec, ITTI, Czech Republic

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Registration Information

It is necessary for all IST-Africa 2008 delegates to register online. Each delegate should be registered separately.

Conference Fees

**Authors Fees (Due by 14 March)**

- Authors - African States (1) €100
- Authors - EU New Member States (2), EU Candidate Countries (3) and Developing Countries (4) €200
- Authors - All countries except African States (1), EU New Member States (2), Candidate Countries (3) and Developing Countries (4) €300

Please note that the author fee is only available to accepted presenters in the Programme (one presenter per paper). Co-authors who wish to participate should register as Delegates.

**Delegates’ Fees - Early Bird (Due by 14 March)**

- Early Bird - African States (1) €200
- Early Bird - EU New Member States (2), EU Candidate Countries (3) and Developing Countries (4) €300
- Early Bird - All countries except African States (1), EU New Member States (2), Candidate Countries (3) and Developing Countries (4) €400

**Delegates’ Fees - Full Fee from 15 March**

- Delegate Full Price - African States (1) €250
- Delegate Full Price - EU New Member States (2), EU Candidate Countries (3) and Developing Countries (4) €400
- Delegate Full Price - All countries except African States (1), EU New Member States (2), Candidate Countries (3) and Developing Countries (4) €500

The Conference Fee includes:

- Entrance to all plenary and parallel sessions
- Entrance to Exhibition
- Documentation with proceedings on CD-Rom
- Three luncheons and refreshments at morning and afternoon breaks
- Cocktail Networking Reception
- Cyber Café facilities


EU New Member States (2) Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia

EU Candidate Countries (3) Croatia, Turkey.

Developing Countries (4) Asia (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam)

Caribbean and Pacific Countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, St.Kitts & Nevis, St.Lucia, St.Vincent, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago, Cook Islands, East Timor, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu).

Latin America (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela)

Mediterranean Partner Countries (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, West Bank & Gaza Strip)

Russia & NIS (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan)

Western Balkan Countries (Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina-Croatia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia & Montenegro)

Terms & Conditions

1. All authors who are presenting a paper at IST-Africa 2008 must complete their payment registration by 14 March at the latest, prior to publication of the Final Programme.

2. In the case where a paper is jointly authored, the presenter of the paper is considered to be the author/presenter from a payment registration point of view. All co-authors are considered to be delegates.

3. Accepted Exibitors (other than accepted presenters) must complete payment registration by 24 March.

4. Delegates’ fees must be paid before admission to the Conference and Exhibition.

5. IEEE Members are entitled to apply for a 10% discount on the appropriate fee. Please provide Membership No. as part of online registration and fax a copy of valid Membership card to +353-1-8170606.

6. There are no refunds for cancellations but substitutions may be made at any time prior to the event by contacting the Conference Secretariat.

7. Each individual must be registered separately on the IST-Africa Conference portal.

8. Payment may be made by bank transfer or credit card (with some restrictions). Payments made by bank transfer must be net of any bank charges and the payment instruction should refer to “IST-Africa 2008 Conference”, your name, organisation and invoice number (if relevant).

9. Receipts are automatically issued electronically upon receipt of payment. If your organisation requires an invoice to process payment registration by bank transfer, please contact the Conference Secretariat.

10. Conference registration or hotel accommodation is not confirmed until full payment is received.

11. Letters of invitation can only be issued following delegate registration online and receipt of payment.

12. The registration desk will open on Tuesday 06 May from 16:00 to 19:00 and will remain open during normal conference hours from 08:00 on Wednesday.
**Major Places of Interest**

Windhoek is the capital of Namibia. The city centre is quite compact and it is possible to walk to all major sites. Walking Tours are available from the Tourist Information office.

While in Windhoek, delegates and accompanying persons should ensure they visit the Christuskirche; St Georges Cathedral, Das Reiterdankmal, Tintenpalast, Alte Feste, Zoo Park, Independence Avenue and Clock Tower, the Namibian Craft Centre and Daan Viljoen Game Park (20km east of Windhoek).

After the conference, delegates should also try to visit Swakopmund, Walvis Bay, Skeleton Coast and Etosha National Park.

**Climate**

Average temperatures in Windhoek in May are temperate, ranging from 12 to 23 degrees Celsius.

**Social Programme**

The Social Programme is an integral part of the IST-Africa 2008 Conference.

The conference organisers also wish to ensure that partners accompanying conference delegates have fun and feel part of the IST-Africa Community.

**Networking Reception**

The IST-Africa Consortium are pleased to announce that a Networking Reception will be held in the IST-Africa 2008 Exhibition area in the Windhoek Country Club on Wednesday 07 May, from 18:30 to 20:00. This will allow all conference delegates and accompanying partners to network with other conference delegates, interact with Exhibitors and view technology demonstrations.

**Partners' & Post Conference Social Programme**

During the three days of the conference, a partners' programme will be organised, subject to sufficient demand. If you intend to bring an accompanying person with you to Namibia, please confirm this as part of the online registration process.

If your accompanying person would like to have the option to book tours during the conference, please contact the Conference Secretariat at secretariat@IST-Africa.org

Further details on Post Conference Tours will be published on the IST-Africa 2008 Conference Portal in March.

**Visa Information**

Nationals from the countries listed below are not required to obtain Visas to travel to Namibia for visits shorter than three months: Angola, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Cuba, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong (SAR), Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Lesotho, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Macau (SAR), Malaysia, Malawi, Mozambique, New Zealand, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Russian Federation, South Africa, Singapore, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, United Kingdom, United States of America, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Conference delegates from other countries should contact the nearest Namibian Embassy six to eight weeks prior to travelling to determine if it is necessary for you to apply for a visa in advance.

If you are travelling via another African country to get a connecting flight to Windhoek, please check well in advance if you need a visa for this country.

The IST-Africa 2008 Organising Committee can only issue Letters of Invitation for visa purposes to delegates after payment for their conference registration has been received.

**Vaccinations**

Conference delegates travelling to Africa for the first time are recommended to have up to date Tetanus, Hepatitis A and Typhoid vaccines. Conference delegates who intend to travel to Etosha National Park are recommended to bring malaria tablets with you. Whatever tablets you use, remember to complete the course as directed after leaving the malaria area. It is a good idea to check with your personal physician or travel health clinic four to six weeks prior to travelling, outlining where in Namibia and Southern Africa you intend to visit.

**IST-Africa Initiative**

Regional Impact of Information Society Technologies in Africa (“IST-Africa”) is a multi-stakeholder initiative focused on raising wider awareness of African research capacity, promote participation of African organizations in the ICT Theme of FP7 and identify co-operation opportunities in fields of mutual interest. The IST-Africa Initiative is supported by the European Commission under FP7-ICT.

IST-Africa is a collaborative initiative between IIMC International Information Management Corporation Limited (Ireland, Coordinator), Ministry of Communications, Science and Technology (Botswana), Ministry of Communications, Science and Technology (Lesotho), Commonwealth Network of Information Technology for Development (Malta), ICT Policy Implementation Technical Unit (Mozambique), Ministry of Education (Namibia), Wits Commercial Enterprise (Pty) Ltd (South Africa), COSTECH - Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology, and Uganda National Council for Science and Technology.
Exhibition and Posters

IST-Africa 2008 features an Exhibition, which provides the opportunity to showcase research results and applications through technology demonstrations, whether funded commercially or at national, regional or European level. While some space will be offered for posters, most of the Exhibition will be reserved for innovative technology demonstrations.

Demonstration stands are reserved for live technology demonstrations, but can feature early prototypes or a pre-commercial launch to a highly targeted, knowledgeable community.

Participation in the Exhibition is rewarding, as it provides a valuable opportunity to make international contacts and to build relationships with potential partners or clients from around the world.

To maximise demonstration and networking opportunities for exhibitors, all coffee breaks and the Networking Cocktail are held in the Exhibition area.

The IST-Africa Consortium is sponsoring a limited amount of exhibition space for suitable demonstrations and posters at IST-Africa 2008 under a Competitive Call for Exhibitors. Potential exhibitors will be selected based on the quality and relevance of their submission to the conference themes, with preference given to those presenting innovative technology demonstrations. To access the Exhibition Application Form online, please visit www.IST-Africa.org/Conference2008

Applications will be accepted up to 28 March. All applicants who apply via the Competitive Call will receive feedback by 31 March. Successful applicants must complete payment registration by 07 April, if they have not already done so either as an Author, or as a delegate taking advantage of the Early Bird rate.

Since the level of competition for available exhibition stands is likely to be high, applicants are advised to clearly describe what they plan to demonstrate and the potential interest/value add for conference delegates.

General Terms & Conditions for Exhibitors

1. All demonstration stands must be manned during specific exhibition times (10:30 - 11:00, 12:30 - 14:00, 15:30 - 16:00 and on Wednesday 07 May during the Networking Reception from 18:00 - 20:00).

2. While the IST-Africa Consortium is sponsoring basic demonstration and poster space, all exhibitors (demonstration stand or poster space) must register and pay as a conference delegate by 26 March.

3. PCs, monitors and Internet access are additional cost items which are not sponsored. Each exhibitor is directly responsible for ordering and paying for such services, if required, with relevant local suppliers.

4. Stand material, posters and literature should be put in place between 16:00 - 19:00 on Tuesday 06 May or before 08:30 on Wednesday 07 May. Nothing should be removed before 15:00 on Friday 09 May. Exhibitors must remove all materials from their stands between 16:00 - 17:30 on Friday 09 May.

5. Material may be removed if the content or quality is not regarded as suitable by the IST-Africa 2008 Organising Committee.

6. While security staff will be present and the conference will not be open to the general public, the organisers cannot take responsibility for any losses incurred and exhibitors should ensure that they have sufficient insurance cover.

The Conference Programme is subject to change at the discretion of the International Programme Committee Chair. You should always refer to the Conference Portal for the most up to date information.

The IST-Africa Consortium is sponsoring an award for the best conference paper and an award for the best demonstration stand at the Exhibition.

Conference Portal & Delegate Showcase
www.IST-Africa.org/Conference2008

IST-Africa 2008 Additional Supporting Organisations