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Introduction

IST-Africa 2010 Conference & Exhibition takes place 19 - 21 May 2010 in Durban, South Africa. Part of the **IST-Africa Initiative**, which is supported by the European Commission under the ICT Theme of Framework Programme 7 (FP7), **IST-Africa 2010** is the fifth 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 South Africa through the Department of Science and Technology and Technically Co-Sponsored by IEEE and the Computer Society of South Africa, **IST-Africa 2010** focuses on the Role of ICT for Africa's Development and specifically on Applied ICT research in the areas of eHealth, Technology Enhanced Learning and ICT Skills, Digital Libraries, Technology Transfer, Open Source Software, ICT for eInclusion and eAccessibility, eInfrastructures, RFID and ICT for Networked Enterprise and eGovernment and eDemocracy. **IST-Africa 2010** 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 2010** 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.

IST-Africa directly supports the goals of the Africa-EU Partnership on Science, Information Society and Space, the African Ministerial Council on Science and Technology (AMCOST) and the Consolidated Plan of Action for the African Regional Action Plan on the Knowledge Economy (ARAPKE).

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,

Who will you meet?

IST-Africa 2010 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 2010 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 and FP7 ICT Programme.

The Venue

IST-Africa 2010 Conference & Exhibition takes place in the Durban International Convention Centre, South Africa. Durban is a major port city located in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal, on the east coast of South Africa, one hour by air from Johannesburg.

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 40 thematically focused parallel sessions featuring different aspects of International Cooperation, eHealth, eInfrastructures, Technology Enhanced Learning and ICT Skills, Digital Libraries, eAccessibility and eInclusion, RFID and Technology Transfer, eInclusion/eAccessibility and eGovernment and eDemocracy. Session Chairs will ensure active discussion and facilitate delegate participation.

In the context of focusing on the Role of ICT for Africa's Development, the Opening Plenary on Wednesday 19 May features a high level dialogue on Implementation of the Africa-EU Partnership on Science, Information Society and Space. The Closing Plenary on Friday 21 May focuses on Initiatives Supporting Development of Regional S&T.

The conference programme is complemented by a demonstration and technology exploitation focused Exhibition and a Networking Reception which will take place on Wednesday 19 May 2010.

The programme is subject to change and the **IST-Africa 2010** 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.

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.

JEG8 Meeting 18 May 2010

The meeting of the Joint Expert Group (JEG8) for the 8th Africa-EU Strategic Partnership for Science, Information Society and Space will be hosted by the Department of Science and Technology in association with **IST-Africa 2010** on Tuesday 18 May from 14:00 - 18:00 in Durban ICC.

This meeting follows on from the previous JEG8 meeting hosted by Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Egypt in Cairo on 05 - 06 March in association with the African Ministerial Conference for Science and Technology.

IST-Africa 2010 delegates are invited to pre-register for this public meeting on Tuesday 18 March, which will share achievements to date within the three pillars of activities, lighthouse projects currently being launched and a discussion of the way forward.

Networking Reception

The IST-Africa Consortium are pleased to announce that a Networking Reception will be held in the **IST-Africa 2010 Exhibition** area in the Durban International Convention Centre on Wednesday 19 May, from 18:00 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.

Conference Dinner

The IST-Africa Consortium are pleased to announce that the Conference Dinner will take place on Thursday 20 May, from 19:30 - 22:30.

Cyber Café

IST-Africa 2010 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 2010** 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 Durban. 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 at Hilton Durban, which is beside the Convention Centre and hotels along the Golden Mile (beach front area).

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:

www.IST-Africa.org/Conference2010

How to get there

The Durban International Airport is located one hour by air from Johannesburg. Delegates are advised to book flights to South Africa and accommodation as early as possible.

Transportation from Airport

From 01 May, all flights will arrive and depart from King Shaka International Airport, which is 35 kms north of Durban's city centre.

Shared Shuttle services that stop at all main hotels and the Durban International Convention Centre are available outside the airport. A single fare is R80

A taxi from the airport to the Durban International Convention Centre will cost c R320.

Plenary Session Speakers



Hon. Naledi Pandor
Minister of Science & Technology, South Africa



Prof. Hany Helal
Minister of Higher Education & Scientific Research, Egypt



Vera Brenda Ngosi
Director, HRST
African Union Commission



Dr. Phil Mjwara
Director-General DST
South Africa



Antti Peltomäki
DG Information Society & Media, European Commission



Mohamed Ben Amor
DG CERT, Tunisia
Co-Chair JEG8



Ilari Lindy,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland



Joaquim Croca
Vodafone Health Solutions



Helena Tapper
Counsellor ICT4D, Embassy of Finland, South Africa

Keynote Speakers confirmed as at 10 May 2010 include:

- **Hon. Naledi Pandor**, Minister of Science and Technology, South Africa
- **Hon. Prof. Hany Helal**, Minister of Higher Education and State for Scientific Research, Egypt (AMCOST Chair)
- **Mrs Vera Brenda Ngosi**, Director, HRST, African Union Commission
- **Dr. Phil Mjwara**, Director-General, Department of Science and Technology, South Africa
- **Mr. Antti Peltomäki**, Deputy Director-General, DG Information Society and Media, European Commission
- **Ms. Mamodupi Mohlala**, Director-General, Department of Communications, South Africa (tbc)
- **Mohamed Ben Amor**, Director General, Centre d'Etudes et de Recherche des Télécommunications (CERT), Tunisia, Co-chair Joint Expert Group for 8th Africa-EU Strategic Partnership (JEG8)
- **Ilari Lindy**, Advisor, Information Society for Development, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
- **Joaquim Croca**, Head of Vodafone Health Solutions
- **Prof John Wood**, Chair, European Research Area Board, United Kingdom
- **Mr. Thierry Devars**, International Relations, DG Information Society and Media, European Commission
- **Ms. Helena Tapper**, Counsellor for Information Society for Development, Science and Technology, Embassy of Finland, South Africa (SAFIPA Programme)
- **Ms. Fadila Boughanemi**, International Relations, DG Research, European Commission

International Programme Committee

A distinguished Programme Committee has been formed to review and provide feedback on papers and presentations, and chair sessions.

The **IST-Africa 2010** International Programme Committee includes

- **Paul Cunningham**, IIMC, Ireland (Conference Chair)
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- **Prof. Johannes Cronje**, Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa
- **Miriam Cunningham**, IIMC, Ireland
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- **Kristiina Lahde**, SAFIPA Programme, South Africa
- **Ilari Lindy**, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland
- **Vasilis Koulolias**, Gov2U, Greece
- **Gareth MacNaughton**, Lane & Hapiak Consulting, UK
- **Prof. Maurice Mars**, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
- **Loi Namugenyi**, Uganda National Council for Science & Technology, Uganda
- **Micheál Ó Foghlú**, TSSG, WIT, Ireland
- **Maggy Pézeril**, Pôle Universitaire Européen, France
- **Bernard Stevenot**, SpaceBel, Belgium
- **Richard Stevens**, European Genetics Foundation, Italy
- **Prof. Erkki Sutinen**, University of Joensuu, Finland
- **Helena Tapper**, Embassy of Finland, South Africa
- **Prof. Wallace Taylor**, TISI, South Africa

- **Daan du Toit**, Senior Science and Technology Representative in Europe, Department of Science & Technology, South Africa
- **Darelle van Greunen**, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Africa
- **Maseqobela Williams**, Ministry of Communications, Science & Technology, Lesotho
- **Dr. Harold Wesso**, eSkills Institute, South Africa

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Wednesday, May 19, 2010

08:00

Registration

09:00

Opening Plenary 1a

Opening Remarks

Dr Phil Mjwara, Director-General, Department of Science and Technology, South Africa

Opening Remarks

Mr Antti Peltomäki, Deputy Director-General, DG Information Society and Media, European Commission

AUC Address

Mrs Vera Brenda Ngosi, Director, HRST, African Union Commission, Ethiopia

AMCOST Consolidated Plan of Action - Keynote Address

Prof. Hany Helal, Minister of Higher Education and State for Scientific Research, Egypt (AMCOST Chair)

10:15 Coffee Break

Exhibition & Networking

10:45 Plenary 2a: High-level Round Table on the Implementation of the Africa-EU Partnership on Science, Information Society and Space

Panel Participants include:

Prof. Hany Helal, Minister of Higher Education and State for Scientific Research, Egypt (AMCOST Chair)

Mr Antti Peltomäki, Deputy Director-General, DG Information Society and Media, European Commission

Dr. Phil Mjwara, Director-General, Department of Science and Technology, South Africa

Mrs Vera Brenda Ngosi, Director, HRST, African Union Commission, Ethiopia

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Prof. John Wood, Chair, European Research Area Board, United Kingdom

Joaquim Croac, Head of Vodafone Health Solutions

12:30 Lunch

Exhibition & Networking

14:00 Session 3a **8th Africa-EU Strategic Partnership - Information Society**

Chairs: Mohamed Ben Amor, CERT, Tunisia & Ilari Lindy, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland

P8/Information Society Lighthouse Projects: Status of Implementation & Remaining Challenges**Policy Developments regarding African Regional Priorities and Programmes in the ICT Domain****Available Financing Instruments and Financial Perspectives****Discussion**

14:00 Session 3b

eGovernment - Services

Chair: Immo Onuegbu, Ministry of Education, Namibia

Balancing Security and Privacy in eGovernment Services

James Clarke, Waterford Institute of Technology, Ireland

Mobile Government for Improved Public Service Provision in South Africa

Mzomuhle Nkosi, CSIR, South Africa

Proposed Information Access Network Architecture for Government Information and Services: Progress Report

Lerato Lerato, National University of Lesotho, Lesotho

Embracing eGovernment in Service Delivery and Business to Citizens through Libraries in Kenya

Emily Ng'Eno, Moi University: School of Information Science, Kenya

The HAE Bottom-Up Model (HAE-BUM): Envisages the Enhancement of Development and Strengthen e-Governance or e-Government Implementation Systems

Jameson Mbale, University of Namibia, Namibia

14:00 Session 3c

Technology Enhanced Learning

Chair: Darelle van Greunen, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Africa

Teaching and Learning with New Technologies - A Tough Nut to Crack

Jacqueline Batchelor, University of Pretoria, South Africa

Sustainable, Scalable and Affordable Mobile Learning Service for Formal Education

Riitta Vänskä, NOKIA, South Africa

Metaschool.cz - Towards Teacher Competencies with Web 2.0

Karel Charvat, Ceske centrum pro vedu a spolecnost, Czech Republic

Google Docs and Skype for a low bandwidth Virtual Classroom for Developing Countries

Hannah Thinyane, Rhodes University, South Africa

The SANTED Virtual Classroom Project: A Case Study

Kauna Mufeti, University of Namibia, Namibia

14:00 Workshop 3d

ICT R&D Innovation Strategy

Chair: Isaac Maredi, Department of Science & Technology, South Africa

ICT R&D and Innovation: Supporting Key Government Outcomes

Isaac Maredi, Department of Science and Technology, South Africa

South African National Cyberinfrastructure, the Knowledge Triangle and Innovation

Colin Wright, Meraka Institute, South Africa

The SAP Meraka UTD Public Private Partnership

De Wet Naude, SAP, South Africa

Open Source and Open Standards: A Sustainable Innovation Strategy for African Parliaments

Flavio Zeni, UNDESA, Kenya

14:00 Workshop 3e

Emerging e-Infrastructures for Science in Sub-Saharan Africa

Chair: Bruce Becker, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Development and Status of the South African National Grid

Bruce Becker, Meraka Institute, South Africa

High Performance Computing to Grid Computing at UFS

Albert van Eck, University of the Free State, South Africa

Policy Engagement in e-Infrastructure from the BELIEF Experience

Simon Taylor, Brunel University, United Kingdom

15:30 Coffee Break

Exhibition & Networking

16:00 Session 4a **8th Africa-EU Strategic Partnership - Information Society**

Chairs: Mohamed Ben Amor, CERT, Tunisia & Ilari Lindy, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland

Showcase of EU and African Member States Funded Activities; Proposals for New Activities**Advancing the Information Society Agenda**

Themba Phiri, Department of Communications, South Africa

Finland STI Programmes in South Africa and Southern Africa

Helena Tapper, Embassy of Finland, South Africa

ICT Initiatives in Mauritius

Dan Faugoo, National Computer Board, Mauritius

How to Bridge the Digital Divide in Africa? Case Studies in Zambia

Lenka Ptáčková Melicharová, Deputy Minister of Interior (EU Affairs), & Jiří Průša, Czech Republic

ICT Initiatives in Mozambique

Augusto Nunes, ICT Policy Implementation Technical Unit (UTICT), Mozambique

ICT Initiatives in Botswana

Oabona Monngakgotla, Ministry of Infrastructure, Science and Technology, Botswana

16:00 Session 4b [eGovernment - Assessment](#)

Chair: [Love Ekenberg, University of Stockholm, Sweden](#)

Are e-Government investments delivering against expected payoffs? Evidence from the United Kingdom and South Africa
Rennie Naidoo, Wits, South Africa

Measuring the Public Value of e-Government: Methodology of a South African Case Study
Carsten Friedland, SAP Research, Germany

Public Decision Making Support: A Developing Country Perspective
Love Ekenberg, Stockholm University, Sweden

A Conceptual Ontology for E-government Monitoring of Development Projects in Sub Saharan Africa

Jean Vincent Fonou Dombou, Vaal University of Technology, South Africa

A Critical Discourse or the ICT Strategies of the Center for Innovation, Provincial Government of the Western Cape
Steve Vosloo, Shuttleworth Foundation, South Africa

16:00 Session 4c [Technology Enhanced Learning - Integrating new elements](#)

Chairs: [Wallace Taylor, TISI - The Information Society Institute, South Africa](#)

A Pragmatic Framework for Integrating ICT into Education in South Africa

Adele Botha, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Harnessing Available Technology for Secondary School Education in Africa

Vincent Kizza, Open Education Resource Foundation(OERF), Uganda

Indigenous African Artefacts: Can they Serve as Tangible Programming Objects?

Andrew Smith, CSIR Meraka Institute, South Africa

Working for my dreams - A Tanzanian OLPC experience
Marcus Duveskog, University of Joensuu, Finland

Science Diffusion as a Form of Cooperation

Antonio Jose Batel Anjo, Universidade de Aveiro, Portugal

16:00 Workshop 4d [SAFIPA - Disruptive Innovation in Emerging Markets - A Catalyst for Reducing Poverty and Improving Lives?](#)

Chair: [Kristiina Lahde, SAFIPA Programme, South Africa & Darelle van Greunen, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Africa](#)

Position 1: How are emerging market companies forging ahead of the competition? Emerging markets have low worldwide costs, appealing products, modern facilities, and ambitious leaders going for them.

Position 2: Emerging markets are generating a wave of disruptive product and process innovations that are helping established companies and a new generation of entrepreneurs to achieve new price-performance levels for a range of globally traded goods and services.

Position 3: Western companies should not have to adapt old business models and build distinctive capabilities in the low-income segments of emerging economies. There is no such thing as the Bottom of the Pyramid.

Position 4: "Disruptive innovation" is only applicable to describe trends in the rapidly changing worlds of telecoms and pharmaceuticals. Digital and photocopying technologies are examples of disruptive innovations in emerging economies.

Panelists include

Kimmo Viljamaa, Advansis Ltd, Finland

Stephan Lambrecht, Venture Solutions

Discussion

16:00 Workshop 4e [Emerging e-Infrastructures for Science in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)

Chair: [Bruce Becker, Meraka Institute, South Africa](#)

Development of an EUGridPMA-accredited Certificate Authority for the South African National Grid

Tarirai Chani, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Long-term Sustainability of Emergent e-Infrastructures

Valeria Ardizzone, Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare Sez. Catania, Italy

GILDA: A Model of t-Infrastructure for Dissemination and Training

Valeria Ardizzone, Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare Sez. Catania, Italy

Considerations of User Engagement in New Site Designs

Andrew Lewis, University of Cape Town, South Africa

18:00 Networking Reception in Exhibition



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08:00 Workshop 5a [8th Africa-EU Strategic Partnership - Information Society](#)

Chair: [Mohamed Ben Amor, CERT, Tunisia & Ilari Lindy, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland](#)

Showcase of EU and African Member State Funded Activities; Proposals for New Activities (continued)

ICT Initiatives being supported by France

Jean-Pascal Chatel, Ministry of Finance, France

ICT Initiatives in Kenya

Eric Mwangi, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Kenya

ICT Initiatives in Tanzania

Hamisi Nguli, Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology

ICT Initiatives in Cameroon

Peter Mokube, National Agency for Information and Communication Technologies, Cameroon

ICT Co-operation between the Italian Republic and the Republic of South Africa

Giusto Sciarabba, Embassy of Italy, South Africa

ICT Initiatives in Uganda

Maxwell Otim, Uganda National Council for Science and Technology

**Presentations from Industry on PPP Tracks; Recommendations from the EU-Africa Business Forum
Discussion on Prioritization Criteria and Concrete Way Forward to Support Implementation of the Selected Initiatives
P8/Information Society Action Plan 2011-2013 & EU-Africa Summit Side-events**

09:00 Session 5b [Technology Transfer & Leveraging ICT to address the Digital Divide](#)

Chair: [Helena Tapper, Embassy of Finland, South Africa](#)

Desirable Practices for Contact Centres Outsourced to an African Country

Mike Hart, University of Cape Town, South Africa

Technology Solutions to Strengthen the Integration of Marginalized Communities into the Global Knowledge Society

Jimmy Samalenge, University of Fort Hare, South Africa

Bridging the Digital Divide through Community User Information Systems: Kitsong Centres

Resego Morakanyane, Botswana Technology Centre, Botswana

09:00 Session 5c [Technology Enhanced Learning - Leveraging Devices to Improve Skills](#)

Chair: [Wallace Taylor, TISI, South Africa](#)

The eSkills Summit & Building a National eSkills Plan of Action
Harold Wesso, Meraka eSkills Institute, South Africa

BingBee @ RaglanRoad – A Field Trial with Unattended Educational Kiosks

Peter Wentworth, Rhodes University, South Africa

Hypercontextualizing a Game Workshop in Tanzania

Carolina A. Islas Sedano, Joensuu University, Finland

C³TO: An Architecture for Implementing a Chat Based Call Centre and Tutoring Online

Laurie Butgereit, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Dr Math gets MUDDY: The "dirt" on How to Attract Teenagers to Mathematics and Science by Using Multi-User Dungeon games over Mxit on Cell Phones

Laurie Butgereit, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Technology Enhanced Learning from a Government Perspective
Rosey Sekese, Department of Communications, South Africa

09:00 Session 5d

eAccessibility - Case Studies

Chair: **Darelle van Greunen**, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Africa

Mathematics and Visually Impaired Students: The Lambda system
Giuseppe Nicotra, Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy

Access to Music by Blind People
Giovanni Bertoni, Arca progetti srl, Italy

An Alternative Multi-User Interaction Screen: Initial Ergonomic Test Results.
Andrew Smith, CSIR Meraka Institute, South Africa

Accessibility
Gift Buthelezi, Department of Communications, South Africa

The National Accessibility Portal and Social Networking Sites: How to Make Facebook and Twitter Work for You
Laurie Butgereit, Meraka Institute, South Africa

09:00 Workshop 5e **Building a Research and Education Network Infrastructure in Africa: of the art of African Research and Education Networking and lessons from South America**

Chairs: **Francis Tusubira**, UbuntuNet Alliance, Uganda

WACREN
Omo Oaiya, WACREN, Ghana

UbuntuNet Alliance
Duncan Martin, UbuntuNet Alliance, South Africa

RED CLARA
María José López, RED CLARA, Chile

InnovaRed, Argentina
Aníbal Gattone, Innova-Red, Argentina

10:30 Coffee Break

Exhibition & Networking

11:00 Workshop 6b **IST-Africa - Linking European and African Researchers**

Chairs: **Paul Cunningham**, IIMC Ltd, Ireland & **Anneline Morgan**, Department of Science & Technology, South Africa

Research Capacity and Challenges in South Africa
Mmboneni Muofhe, Department of Science and Technology, South Africa

Research Capacity and Challenges in Lesotho
Lefa Thamae, Ministry of Communications, Science and Technology, Lesotho

Research Capacity and Challenges in Namibia
Immo Onuegbu, Ministry of Education, Namibia

Research Capacity and Challenges in Burundi
Augustin Nsabiyuma, Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Burundi

Research Capacity and Challenges in Senegal
Almamy Konte, Ministère de la Recherche Scientifique, Senegal

14:00 Session 6b

Digital Libraries

Chair: **Bernard Stevenot**, SPACEBEL, Belgium

Open Knowledge on e-Infrastructures - The BELIEF Digital Library
Simon Taylor, Brunel University, United Kingdom

Experiences with Developing Language Processing Tools and Corpora for Amharic
Björn Gambäck, Swedish Institute of Computer Science AB, Sweden

Challenges of Library and Information Science Capacity Building in Southern Sudan: A Situational Analysis
Elisam Magara, Makerere University, Uganda

ICT User Skills Building and the possibility of incorporating Intelligent Content in Research4Life Programmes in Sub-Saharan Africa
Sailas Nyareza, Information Training and Outreach Centre for Africa, South Africa

11:00 Session 6c **Technology Enhanced Learning in Third Level Institutions**

Chair: **Harold Wesso**, Meraka eSkills Institute, South Africa

Accordent Media Management System Technology And Its Integration With The MERLINGO Portal Services
Ivo Martinik, VŠB-Technical University of Ostrava, Czech Republic

E-Learning2.0 – The Power of Participation: Case Study on Further Developing Standards and Quality Assurance for e-Learning within the ACVCD-Project
Stephan Raimer, College of Cooperative Education Schleswig-Holstein, Germany

The Impact of Podcasting on Student Lecture Attendance.
Juan de Lange, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

The SAFIPA-Meraka Code-sprints Program; A Mechanism to Enhance the Development Capacity of Emerging Developers - Observations and Lessons Learned

Louis Coetzee, Meraka Institute, CSIR, South Africa

Strategizing Computer-supported Collaborative Learning towards Knowledge Building
Evode Mukama, National University of Rwanda, Rwanda

11:00 Workshop 6d **Services for the Autonomous Living and Mobility of the Elderly**

Chair: **Maria Panou**, Hellenic Institute of Transport, Greece

An Ontological Framework for the Elderly to Control their Home Environment (OASIS project)
Gerrit Telkamp, DOMOLOGIC, Germany

eHealth Services for the Elderly at Home and on the Move
Maria Fernanda Cabrera, Polytechnic University of Madrid, Spain

Use Cases and Scenarios for Remote Support of the Elderly to Live Autonomously Alone (REMOTE project)
Evangelos Bekiaris, Hellenic Institute of Transport, Greece

User Interfaces and Strategies for Guidance of Elderly in Emergencies through Nomadic Devices (SAVE ME project)
Harald Widlroither, University of Stuttgart, Germany

Assessing the Accessibility of UI for all Ages
Karel Van Isacker, MCA, Bulgaria

Pedestrian and Multimodal Route Guidance Adaptation for Elderly Citizens (ACCESS2ALL project)
Maria Panou, Hellenic Institute of Transport, Greece

11:00 Workshop 6e **Building a Research and Education Network Infrastructure in Africa - Emerging Content and Applications Networks**

Chair: **Bjorn Pehrson**, KTH, Sweden

ERINA
Simon Taylor, Brunel University, United Kingdom

ERINA4Africa
Margaret Ngwira, UbuntuNet Alliance for Research and Education Networking, Malawi

Grid Computing in Africa
Bruce Becker, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Practical Case Study in Uganda: ICT used in the Agricultural Sector
Nodumo Dhlamini, REFORUM, Uganda

Example from CLARA
Aníbal Gattone, Innova-Red, Argentina

12:30 Lunch

Exhibition & Networking

14:00 Workshop 7a **Africa4All – Leveraging ICT in African Parliaments I**

Chair: **Vasilis Kouloulis**, Gov2U, Greece

Africa4All Parliamentary Initiative
Vasilis Kouloulis, Gov2U, Greece

Current ICT Initiatives and Future Plans for Civil Engagement at the Parliament of Namibia: Successes, Challenges and Lessons Learnt

Marianne Gei-khoibes, National Assembly of the Parliament of Namibia

Initial Experiences in Parliament of Lesotho
Moeketsi Liphoto, National Assembly of the Parliament of Lesotho

Experiences from the eParliament project in Mauritius
Nirveeka Callychurn, National Assembly, Mauritius

14:00 Workshop 7b **Challenges & Opportunities for African-European ICT Partnerships in FP7**

Chair: **Mmboneni Muofhe**, Department of Science & Technology, South Africa

Taking Advantage of FP7 Opportunities
Mmboneni Muofhe, Department of Science & Technology, South Africa

The State of African Participation in ICT Theme of FP7
Segopotso Moshapo, SAP Research CEC Pretoria, South Africa

Experiences from the Digital World Forum Project
Thato Foko, Meraka Institute, South Africa

EuroAfrica-ICT - Promoting and Supporting the Development of S&T Cooperation on ICT Research between Europe and Sub-Saharan Africa
Karine Valin, Sigma Orionis, France

GEO-Africa/AfricaSat-1 project
Gregory Pedersen, EADS Astrium, France

14:00 Session 7c **Technology Enhanced Learning - Case Studies**

Chair: **Love Ekenberg**, University of Stockholm, Sweden

Technology Enhanced Learning for Remote Nurses in KwaZulu-Natal
Jennifer Chipps, UKZN, South Africa

Making an Information for Development Study Centre Operational
Erkki Sutinen, University of Joensuu, Finland

Mobile and Context: Divide or Conquer
Adele Botha, Meraka Institute, South Africa

The Intranet as a Knowledge Enabler towards a KM strategy in a South African organisation
Udo Averweg, Information Services, eThekweni Municipality and University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

Go Mobile! The Mobile Learning Institute Leadership Summit
Adele Botha, Meraka Institute, South Africa

14:00 Session 7d **eHealth - Issues and Case Studies**

Chair: **Loi Namugenyi**, Uganda National Council for Science & Technology, Uganda

Medical Research Council and eHealth in South Africa
Jill Fortuin, Medical Research Council, South Africa

Privacy and Data Protection in eHealth: A Comparative Approach between South African and French Legal Systems
Nathalie Ferraud-Ciandet, Grenoble Ecole de Management, France

BudhuDas: An eHealth Business Model for Emerging Countries
Yvonne Wickramasinghe, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

HealthChange: A Change Management Model for an eHealth Solution in Developing Countries
Dulindra Wijethilake, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

14:00 Workshop 7e **Building a Research and Education Network Infrastructure in Africa: Political Awareness, Will and Capacity**

Chair: **Leonardo Flores**, European Commission & **Ahmed Hamdy**, AUC

European Commission Perspectives
Kostas Glinos, European Commission, Belgium

African Union Commission Perspectives
Vera Ngosi, African Union Commission, Ethiopia

The AfricaConnect Implementation Plan
Cathrin Stover, DANTE, United Kingdom

FEAST Identification of Remaining Gaps
Bjorn Pehrson, KTH, Sweden

The Role of African RRENS and NRENS
Boubakar Barry, AAU, Ghana

The eI-Africa Project
Karine Valin, Sigma Orionis, France

15:30 Coffee Break **Exhibition & Networking**

16:00 Workshop 8a **Africa4All – Leveraging ICT in African Parliaments II**

Chair: **Vasilis Kouloulis**, Gov2U, Greece

Enhancing Democracy through use of ICT - Experience of Uganda
Aloysius Makata, Parliament of Uganda

ICT for Productivity in Parliament: Kenya Parliament Experiences
Owino Harrison, Kenya National Assembly, Kenya

Leveraging ICT in the Parliament of Tanzania
Didas Wambura, Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania

Panel Discussion

16:00 Workshop 8b **Research Interoperability, Digitisation Techniques and Digital Preservation: the Europeana context**

Chair: **Robert Davies**, EuropeanaLocal, United Kingdom

Research and the interoperability of Europeana
Robert Davies, EuropeanaLocal, United Kingdom

Technologies, Standards and Business Models for the Formation of Virtual Collections of 3D Replicas of Museum Objects: the 3D-COFORM Project
Franco Niccolucci, STARC, Cyprus

The work of eIFL.net in the Digital Libraries Environment
Monika Segbert-Elbert, eIFL.net, Italy

African Scholarship: Bringing Local Knowledge Production to the Global Research Infrastructure
Dale Peters, University of KwaZulu Natal, South Africa

A Strategic Approach to Research Publishing in South Africa
Susan Veldsman, Academy of Science of South Africa, South Africa

16:00 Workshop 8c **SAFIPA – Digital Learning and Open Education Solutions**

Chair: **Ashraf Patel**, SAFIPA Programme, South Africa

An Overview of new Web 2.0 Trends in Digital Education and Open Content in Africa
Thato Foko, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Maths Multimedia Pilot Project for South Africa Curriculum
Riyaadh Ebrahim, CECS, South Africa

YESA Science Education Case Study
Ron Beyers, YESA, South Africa

Mobile Learning and Digital Content Modules for Children - A Case Study
Paul Moeng, New Media, South Africa

Open Source Platforms and Tools for Online Learning – Wits Case Study
Derek Keats, Deputy Vice Chancellor, Wits University, South Africa

Nokia Mobile Maths Project
Ritta Vaanska, Nokia, South Africa

Interactive Virtual Reality (IVR) Methodology for Community Education
Dave Lockwood, Naledi3d Factory (Pty)Ltd, South Africa

16:00 Session 8d **eHealth - Information Management Systems**

Chairs: **Richard Stevens**, Italy

A Multi-country Examination of Approaches for Investigating the Attitudes of Health care Professionals towards the Development and Use of Information Systems
Deana Leadbeter, University of Keele, United Kingdom

Using Local Knowledge in Information Gathering Process: Case study from Ethiopia
Zufan Damtew, University of Oslo, Ethiopia

Analyzing Mother and Child Health Policy-driven Information Subsystems in Mozambique through the lens of Activity Theory
Gertrudes Macueve, Universidade Eduardo Mondlane, Mozambique

Socio-Tech SA: Made-in-South Africa Socio-technical Methods and Education for Local Software Industry to contribute to Socio-economic Development
Retha de la Harpe, CPUT, South Africa

16:00 Workshop 8e **Building a Research and Education Network Infrastructure in Africa - Round Table on Next Steps and Synergy between Actors**

Chairs: **Vera Brenda Ngosi**, Director, HRST, African Union Commission, Ethiopia & **Kostas Glinos**, European Commission, Belgium

Panel Participants include:
Boubakar Barry, AAU
Francis Tusu, UbuntuNet Alliance
Cathrin Stover, DANTE
María José López, CLARA
Bjorn Pehrson, KTH

17:30 - 18:00 **Exhibition & Networking**

19:30 - 22:30 **Conference Dinner**

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09:00 Session 9a **Leveraging ICT in Rural Communities**

Chair: **Helena Tapper**, Embassy of Finland, South Africa

Broadband in Rural Areas

Ivan Istvanffy, Director General, Section for Foreign Financial Assistance Management and Implementation, Government Office of the Slovak Republic

Further lessons from the Sekhukhune Rural Living Lab – Mobile Web Business Applications in Emerging Economies
Rudi de Louw, SAP Research CEC Pretoria, South Africa

Using Participation and Participatory Approaches to introduce ICTs into Rural Communities

Meera Joseph, University of Johannesburg, South Africa

Factors influencing the Use of Information and Communication Technology by Farm Employees in Western Cape Commercial Agriculture: A Case Study of the Wine Industry
Rachael Tembo, Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa

09:00 Tutorial 9b 6DEPLOY - IPv6

Chair: **Martin Potts, Martel, Switzerland**

Why deploy IPv6?, What is IPv6?, What are the main considerations to make when deploying IPv6?

B. Tuy, RENATER, France

Some guidelines and examples of deploying IPv6 in:

Campus networks, ISPs

B. Tuy, RENATER, France

Enterprises

B. Habraken, Cisco, Netherlands

What the EC FP7 project 6DEPLOY can offer, eg.:

Training modules & Training workshops

Martin Potts, Martel, Switzerland

An e-learning course, Deployment guidelines, Supported

Testbeds in Kenya and Mauritius

B. Tuy, RENATER, France

09:00 Workshop 9c **ICT-Enhanced Learning and Citizen Empowerment across Africa**

Chair: **Robert Franz, Ashburn Institute, United States**

Kasambya Computer Centre – from Community Initiative to Self-Sustainable Enterprise

Kseniya Khovanova, Ashburn Institute, Ukraine

Hungry for Change: ICT-Enhanced Enterprise Financing

Robert Frantz, Ashburn Institute, United States

Challenges and Potential Benefits of Small-scale ICT-Initiatives In Africa

Kywalyanga Wahabu, Kasambya Community Computer Centre, Uganda

Developing Country-Focused ICT-Impact Evaluation Tools

Heather Thompson, Ashburn Institute, United States

09:00 Session 9d eHealth - Case Studies

Chair: **Maurice Mars, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa**

Training Design should consider the Health workers' Ability to Positive Training Transfer: Case Study in Ethiopia

Birkinesh Lagebo, University of Oslo, Norway

The Life and Times of an Online Support Group: a South African Case Study

Jay Barnes, Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa

Some EU IST/ICT Projects As a Source for Transfer of Know

How on e-Health to Africa

Dusan Soltes, Comenius University, Slovakia

09:00 Session 9e Leveraging eInfrastructures

Chair: **David Browne, Telkom, South Africa**

eGY-Africa: Better Internet Connectivity to Reduce the Digital Divide

Charles Barton, Australian National University, Australia

An Energy Saving Scheme for Internet Provision in Rural Africa: LESS

Moshe Masonta, CSIR Meraka Institute, South Africa

Challenges of Evidence Acquisition in Wireless Ad-Hoc Networks

Murimo Bethel Mutanga, University of Zululand, South Africa

Distributed Government e-Mail Service: Mozambique GovNet

Case Study

Sergio Mapsanganhe, ICT Policy Implementation Technical Unit (UTICT), Mozambique

The Community-oriented Computer Security, Advisory and

Warning Team

Ian Ellefsen, University of Johannesburg, South Africa

10:30 Coffee Break Exhibition & Networking

11:00 Session 10a Leveraging RFID and Information Systems

Chair: **Laurens Cloete, Meraka Institute, South Africa**

An Implementation of a Multi-Agent Based RFID Middleware for Asset Management System Using the Jade Platform

Libe Valentine Massawe, Central University of Technology, Free State, South Africa

Tackling Cattle Rustling Menace Using RFID/GPS Livestock Traceability Application in the North Rift Kenya: Assessment of Options and Way Forward

Lazarus N. Kubasu, Ministry of Provincial Administration, Kenya

Mobile4D Platform

Adele Botha, Meraka Institute, South Africa

Modelling the Context of Information Systems

Mikko Korpela, University of Eastern Finland, Finland

Digital Watermarking: A State-of-the-Art Review

Ademola Adesina, University of the Western Cape, South Africa

11:00 Tutorial 10b 6DEPLOY - IPv6

Chair: **Martin Potts, Martel, Switzerland**

Practical IPv6 configuration exercises on routers and clients using remote access to the 6DEPLOY testbeds in Kenya and Mauritius

B. Habraken, CISCO, Netherlands & B. Tuy, RENATER, France

11:00 Workshop 10c **Technology for Communities of Practice: The Power of Collaborative Learning**

Chair: **Maïke Schansker, United Nations University, Germany**

Introduction

Maïke Schansker, United Nations University, Germany

e/merge: Using Online Conferences to Promote Professional Development in Africa

Tony Carr, University of Cape Town, South Africa

Triangulating for Success: A Practitioner's Experience using External Networks to Leverage Learning and Outcomes within Organizations and Institutions

Nancy White, Full Circle Associates, United States

11:00 Session 10d eHealth - Case Studies

Chair: **Maurice Mars, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa**

A Pilot Study To Forecast Changes In CD4 Count of HIV-1 Positive Patients Using Machine Learning

Yashik Singh, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

Mobile M&E: Experiences from Pilot to National Scale Implementation

Eben Conley, Cell-Life, South Africa

Language, Cultural Brokerage And Informed Consent: Will Technological Terms Impede Telemedicine Use?

Caron Jack, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

11:00 Session 10e Open Source Software Applications

Chair: **Richard Stevens, European Genetics Foundation, Italy**

Open Source Software Application and their Impacts on SMEs: An Action for Building an OSS Community environment in Tanzania

George S. Oreku, TIRDO, United Republic of Tanzania

Proposal for a Logistic Domain Ontology

Flavio Bonfatti, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy

Dual Licensing Policy – New Way for Software Development

Zbynek KRIVANEK, Ceske centrum pro vedu a spolecnost, Czech Republic

12:30 Lunch Exhibition & Networking

13:30 Closing Plenary 12a **Initiatives Supporting Development of Regional S&T**

Strengthening African - European Cooperation in ICT and S&T

Thierry Devars, European Commission, Belgium

Strengthening African - European Cooperation in S&T

Fadila Boughanemi, European Commission, Belgium

Initiatives being supported by Finland in Southern Africa

Helena Tapper, Embassy of Finland, South Africa (SAFIPA Programme)

Round Table Discussion - Output from JEG8 Meeting

Closing Remarks

Hon. Naledi Pandor, Minister of Science and Technology, South Africa

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