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Dear Colleagues,

We hope you are keeping well. We would like to bring a number of recent and upcoming developments to your attention in this Summer edition of the newsletter: Open Calls under Cooperation and People Programmes, Recent News, Upcoming Events and Reports. If you have news or events that you would like to disseminate, please forward to us.

Open Calls

All open calls can be accessed via the Participants Portal.

Cooperation
ICT Theme
The ICT Work Programme for 2013 and FP7-ICT-2013-Call 10 were published on 10 July with a deadline of 15 January 2013. Click here to download a summary of challenges and objectives open under Call 10 and Call 11. Call 11 is scheduled to be published on 18 September 2012 with a deadline of 16 April 2013.

Other Themes
FP7-HEALTH-2013-INNOVATION - Closes 02 Oct '12
FP7-SMARTCITIES-2013, Smart Cities and Communities - Closes 04 December '12

People
FP7-PEOPLE-2012-IIF, Marie Curie International Incoming Fellowships - Closes 16 August 2012
FP7-PEOPLE-2012-IEF, Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowships for Career Development - Closes 16 August 2012
FP7-PEOPLE-2012-IOF, Marie Curie International Outgoing Fellowships for Career Development - Closes 16 August 2012
FP7-PEOPLE-2012-CIG, Marie Curie Career Integration Grants - Closes 18 September 2012
FP7-PEOPLE-2013-ITN, Marie Curie Initial Training Networks - Closes 22 November 2012
FP7-PEOPLE-2013-COFUND, Marie Curie Co-funding of Regional, National and International Programmes - Closes 05 December 2012
FP7-PEOPLE-2013-IRSES, Marie Curie International Research Staff Exchange Scheme - Closes 17 Jan 2013

Recent News

IST-Africa 2012 Conference Proceedings available in Paper Repository
All papers published in the IST-Africa 2012 Conference Proceedings are now available in the IST-Africa Paper Repository

ZAMREN and TENET form the first UbuntuNet cross-border link between Lusaka and Johannesburg
The Research and Educational Network in Zambia (ZAMREN) is now linked with other UbuntuNet Alliance NRENs and GEANT through Dutch ICT Capacity Building project.

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Africa Build Survey of Institutions working in Health Research and Informatics in Africa
The Africa Build Coordination action has launched a survey to characterize research / academic institutions that work in Health Research and Education and in Health Informatics in Africa. Please complete this survey at http://paracelso.dia.fi.upm.es/surveys/instructions.php

2012 Africa-EU Cooperation Forum, Lisbon, 28 - 29 November - Call for Abstracts Deadline 08 September
The 2012 Africa-EU Cooperation Forum on ICT, organised by the EuroAfrica-P8 Consortium, will take place on 28-29 November 2012 in Lisbon, Portugal. The Call for Abstracts is published with a deadline of 08 September. Interested parties should submit a half page abstract by email for consideration by the selection committee to forum_lisbon@euroafrica-ict.org

ALICT Call for participants from Mozambique, Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, Malawi, Botswana, Namibia, Ethiopia closes 10 Aug
The African Leadership in ICT project has launched the second phase of training, inviting participants from Mozambique, Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, Malawi, Botswana, Namibia and Ethiopia. To apply before 10 August, please click here

The National Computer Board promotes Green IT in Mauritius
As part of its initiative to promote Green IT at national level, the National Computer Board is organised a workshop on 23 July 2012 to raise awareness on the importance of Green IT in businesses and provide participants with the necessary knowledge and certification to implement Green IT initiatives and policies in their organisation.

DG CONNECT launched as new Directorate General
On 01 July 2012 as part of a restructuring in the European Commission, the Digital Agenda of the European Commission will be managed by DG for Communications Networks, Content and Technology (DG CONNECT). DG CONNECT will now manage running projects launched under DG Information Society and Media.

4G To 100 Mbps Launched by Mauritius Telecom
Mauritius Telecom launches the first 4G mobile Internet connection with a speed up to 100 Mbps Mauritius on 22 June 2012.

Workshop on Development of ICT Policy and Implementation Plan, Burundi, 24 - 25 May
The Ministry of Telecommunications, Information and Communications, Burundi organised a national coordination meeting in relation to the ICT policy and Implementation plan for 2012 - 2015 on 24 - 25 May in the Tamotel Hotel in Gitega. Download the meeting report

ITU Workshop on ICT Competencies Development in the Telecommunication and Education Sectors in Africa, Bujumbura, Burundi, 14 - 18 May
The ITU regional workshop on ICT Competencies Development in the Telecommunication and Education Sectors in Africa was held In Bujumbura, Burundi from 14 -18 May 2012, hosted by the Ministère des Télécommunications, de l'Information, de la Communication et des Relations avec le Parlement of Burundi, in collaboration with the United Kingdom Telecommunications Academy (UKTA). Download the workshop recommendations

Over 480 participants from 46 countries participated in IST-Africa 2012, 09 - 11 May, Dar es Salaam
Hosted by the Government of Tanzania through the Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH), Supported by the European Commission and African Union

Commission and Technical Co-Sponsored by IEEE, IST-Africa 2012 took place from 09 - 11 May 2012 in Dar es Salaam. Download the conference report

Active co-creation during IST-Africa Living Labs Workshop Group Meeting, 08 May, Dar es Salaam
The IST-Africa Living Labs Thematic Working Group Meeting was organised as a pre-conference event on Tuesday 08 May in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania in cooperation with the Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology and TanzICT. Over 90 delegates from Europe and Africa co-created during this highly participatory meeting. Download the full report

Upcoming Events

Konza Techno City Investors Conference, Nairobi, 07 - 08 August 2012

INFOTECH 2012, 13 - 16 September, Mauritius

ICT Proposers Day, 26 - 27 September, Warsaw
The initial Programme and Registration are available online.

Euro-Africa-P8 FP7 Workshop, 09 - 10 October, Tunisia
For more information in relation to the workshop being organised by CERT, please click here

Euro-Africa-P8 eInfrastructures Thematic Working Group Meeting, Cameroon, November 2012

2012 Africa-EU Cooperation Forum, Lisbon, 28 - 29 November

Reports

The IST-Africa Guide to National ICT Policies provides an overview of the current status of National ICT policies in Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Kenya, Lesotho, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda. Published April 2012, ISBN No: 978-1-905824-31-1

The IST-Africa Guide to National ICT Initiatives and Research Priorities provides an overview of the current ICT Initiatives, ICT research capacity and priorities for cooperation in Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Egypt, Kenya, Lesotho, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda. Published April 2012, ISBN No: 978-1-905824-32-8

The IST-Africa Guide to ICT-related Bilateral Cooperation provides an overview of the current ICT related bilateral cooperation with Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Egypt, Kenya, Lesotho, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda. Published January 2012, ISBN No: 978-1-905824-33-5

Supporting the Evolution of Sustainable Living Labs and Living Labs Networks in Africa
Published January 2012, ISBN No: 978-1-905824-28-1

Joint Expert Group P8 Co-chairs Meeting Report 08 - 11 May 2012, Tanzania

Little Data Book on Information and Communication Technology 2012
Published by Work Bank and International Telecommunication Union 2012, ISBN: 978-0-8213-8996-6

Measuring the Information Society
Published by ITU 2011, ISBN 92-61-13801-2

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