

Opportunities for Europe through International Co-operation

Workshop 8f: 16:00 Thursday 20 October 2005

Abstract

The workshop intends to offer an overview of ongoing activities in the realm of international co-operation. The purpose of the discussion workshop is to allow the target audience to understand what initiatives have been introduced by the EC to facilitate third country participation to European funding. Similarly, the workshop will offer some examples of EU related initiatives within the International co-operation sphere.

Description

The organisation of the workshop will encompass 4 speakers and a chair who will all offer interventions of around 15 minutes each. This will be followed by an interactive discussion, before the end of the session to enable the audience to intervene with questions to the EC officer present, experts on international co-operation opportunities and for the guest speakers to give an overview of their personal experiences as well as listening to individuals from the audience offering insight on their ongoing collaborations.

Objectives

The workshop will pursue the objectives of promoting the European role models for development of emerging economies; conceiving, developing and deploying an effective and durable institutional framework in order to support increased participation of third countries to participate to European RTD funding opportunities; increasing international presence in the European sector in all ICT areas; increasing awareness on the co-operation of Europe and the emerging economies, especially in the ICT area.

Target Audience

The workshop is geared towards those e-2005 delegates who are new to European funding programmes and would like to have detailed insight on the mechanisms behind EU funding opportunities. In addition, the workshop is open to all delegates wishing to expand their current activities with third countries.

Programme

Chair: [Silvana Muscella, Metaware, Italy](#)

1) Opportunities for Europe through International Co-operation

[Jean-Yves Roger, European Commission, Belgium](#)

The intervention will discuss the components of FP6 and opportunities available for third country members to participate to EU funding programmes.

2) Benefits of Partnering with Canadian Research and Development Organisations

[Debbie Kemp, Communications Research Centre Canada, Canada](#)

Overview of S&T in Canada and how it can lead to opportunities with Europe. A brief description of the IST-EC 2 project and its objectives to foster R&D between Canadian and European researchers.

[Elliot Macklovitch, Laboratoire RALI, University of Montreal, Canada](#)

An example of a successful collaboration and how it can impact partnerships & collaboration in the future.

3) Euro-India ICT Cooperation - Add the Indian 'e'dge to Research & Technology Development

[Ashok Kar, Infra Technologies SA, India](#)

Insight from an Indian perspective and speaker will deliver the contrasts in a country where the third of the population barely makes a living, coupled on the other hand, with India's production of world-class engineers, technologists and scientists.

4) Russia in IST: solving the puzzle.

[Olga Pekushkina, Singleimage, UK](#)

Russian R&D has a lot to contribute to the IST priority. Such companies as Hewlett-Packard and Intel have already opened their hi-tech centres in Russia. Yet there are very few IST projects with participation of Russian research teams. This presentation describes obstacles for EU-Russia collaboration and how they are being overcome, so that EU researchers can benefit from co-operation with Russian research teams.



5) Research Networking in Latin America 2003 -2005

Florencio I. Utreras, Cooperación Latinoamericana de Redes Avanzadas (CLARA), Latin America

The presentation focuses on how Research Networking has developed in Latin America through the creation of CLARA, the organisation of Latin America's NRENs. Built upon this is the EU initiative ALICE which has created Research and Education Networks in 13 countries in Latin America. The construction of CLARA, the organization that groups the LA NREN's is a major achievement that will allow the network to be sustainable in the near future.