

Investing in Europe's future - Research and Policy

Workshop 9h: 09:00 Friday 21 October 2005

On 6 April 2005 the European Commission adopted a proposal for a new EU programme for research and development. With a proposed duration of 7 years (2007-2013) the programme is structured around 4 sub programmes: Cooperation, Ideas, People and Capacities. This proposal reflects the EU's political priority for growth and jobs, recognising that knowledge is Europe's greatest resource to fuel a sustainable economic development

A new European Information Society 2010 initiative has also launched in June 2005 to foster growth and jobs in the Information Society and Media industries. i2010 is a comprehensive strategy for modernising and deploying all EU policy instruments to encourage the development of the digital economy: regulatory instruments, research and partnerships with industry.

The workshop will focus on introducing the new strategic framework, and more specifically:

- i2010 as a key element of the renewed Lisbon strategy that will build towards an integrated approach to information society and audio-visual media policies in the EU.
- The seventh Framework Programme, the EU's chief instrument for funding scientific research and technological development (2007 – 2013)
- Focus will also be on the future developments of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)

The workshop will allow a discussion between key actors and public and will contribute creating awareness on the new possibilities.

Objectives

- Information on new research strategies, in particular in the IST domain.
- Exchange of ideas regarding the future of ICT and the link between ICT research investment and increased competitiveness

This workshop is designed to inform politicians, decision makers, key research players, industry and university representatives about the future of European research policy.

Programme

Chair: Rosalie Zobel, European Commission, Belgium

i2010 - a European Information society for Growth and Employment

Anne Troye, European Commission, Belgium

FP7 - The European Union's Main Instrument for Funding Research and Development

Peter Fatelnig, European Commission, Belgium

ICT Research in FP7

Peter Fatelnig, European Commission, Belgium

Discussion