

**MAPPING THE ICT RESEARCH AGENDA & THE FP7/ICT AWARENESS WORKSHOP
SUPPORTING FP7/ICT PROPOSALS**

Jointly organised by
the FP7 EuroAfrica-ICT and WINDS-Caribe projects
in collaboration with
The Caribbean Academy of Sciences and CARIMAC, UWI

18 & 19 March 2009
University of West Indies
Kingston, Jamaica

Objectives:

1. Stimulate Awareness of and Capacity for submissions to the EU- FP7 Call (and future Calls)
2. Initiate institutional support proposals for ICT R&D in the Caribbean
3. Support the development of strategic and flagship ICT research cooperation projects.
4. Advance the ICT Research Mapping Findings in the Caribbean
5. Strengthen collaboration between key stakeholders in Caribbean ICT communities
6. Create awareness of the EU and its mission for the Caribbean

Day 1 - 18 March 2009

08:30 am **Registration**

Opening

Co-Chairs Professor Tara Dasgupta and Mr. Roderick Sanatan
EuroAfriCa-ICT Partner and WINDS-Caribe Partner

09:00 am **Opening remarks**

09:10 am **Welcome greetings**

- Mr. Joseph Pereira, Deputy Principal, UWI, Mona
- Mrs. Marcia Forbes, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Mining and Telecommunications
- Prof. Ishenkumba Kahwa, Dean, Faculty of Pure & Applied Sciences, UWI, Mona
- Dr. Swithin Wilmot, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Education, UWI, Mona
- Mrs. Brigitte Collins, Chief Information Officer, UWI

09:45 am **Introduction to the EuroAfriCa-ICT & WINDS Projects**

- Professor Tara Dasgupta, on behalf of Sigma-Orionis
- Fabio Nascimbeni, Director, MENON Network, Belgium, & WINDS-Caribe Coordinator

10:00 am **Tea & Coffee Break & media briefings**

Europe-Caribbean and regional cooperation perspectives on ICT research

Chair: Mr. Roderick Sanatan, CARIMAC/UWI, Jamaica

10:30 am **Introduction to the 7th Research Framework Programme (FP7)**

Dr. Klaus Pendl, Directorate General Information Society and Media, European Commission

10:50 am **The SRC – Role in Optimizing ACP/EU Opportunities**

Dr. Audia Barnett, Executive Director, Scientific Research Council, Jamaica

11:10 am **The future of ICT research in the region: incubatory ICT research needs**

Ms. Dionne Palmer, Incubator Manager, Technology Innovation Centre, UTECH, Jamaica

11:30 am **Collaboration in ICT Research**

Professor Robert France, Colorado State University, USA

11:50 am **Q&A Session**

12:10 pm Lunch & networking opportunities
Chair: Dr. Canute James, Acting Director, CARIMAC
Special Presentation – UWI Open Campus
Mrs. Luz Longworth, Director, Open Campus Country Sites, UWI
Ms. Pauline Osbourne, Production Assistant, Open Campus, UWI (display)

Context: Selected ICT Sectors for R&D

Chair: Mr. Daniel Pimienta, President, FUNREDES, Dominican Republic

- 01:30 pm **Education by Distance**
Dr. Christine Marrett, Senior Programme Officer, UWI Open Campus
- 1:45 pm **Regulation in the OECS**
Mr. Embert Charles, Managing Director, Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority, Saint Lucia
- 02:00 pm **e-Government in Trinidad and Tobago**
Ms. Denyse White, Executive Manager, Policy and Metrics, Ministry of Public Administration and Information, Trinidad and Tobago
- 02:15 pm **e-Government in Barbados**
Mr Bentley Gibbs, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Empowerment, Innovation, Trade, Industry and Commerce, Barbados
- 02:30 pm **e-Health**
Dr. Winston Davidson, UTECH, Jamaica
- 02:45 pm **Trade and ICTs**
Mr. Roderick Sanatan, ICT Projects Coordinator, CARIMAC, UWI Jamaica
- 03:00 pm **Q&A Session**

03:15 pm Tea & Coffee Break & networking opportunities

Context: Selected ICT Sectors for R&D continued

Chair: Dr. Hopeton Dunn, Mona School of Business, UWI, Mona

- 03:30 pm **ICT Implications for the Caribbean Region**
Professor Evan Duggan, Mona School of Business, Jamaica
- 03:45 pm **e-Commerce in Anguilla**
Mr Lynwood Bell, Financial Services Commission, Anguilla
- 04:00 pm **e-Commerce in Jamaica**
Mr. Cecil McCain, Director, Post and Telecommunication, Ministry of Mining and Telecommunications, Jamaica
- 04:15 pm **ICT in Climate Change Research**
Dr. Michael Taylor and Mr. Jayaka Campbell, Department of Physics, UWI, Mona
- 04:30 pm **Q&A Session**

Day 2 - 19 March 2009

08:30 am Welcome of the participants

Context: Selected ICT Sectors for R&D continued

Chair: Professor Robert Lancashire, Department of Chemistry, UWI, Mona

- 08:35 am **ICT in Emerging Education Practices**
Professor Michael Smith, University of Trinidad and Tobago, Trinidad and Tobago
 - 08:50 am **Financing ICTs**
Mr. Hugh Cross, Managing Director, Universal Access Fund, Jamaica
 - 09:05 am **e-Agriculture**
Mr. Fred Anderson, Agricultural Business Information Systems, RADA, Jamaica
 - 09:20 am **SMEs and ICTs**
Mrs. Marlene Higgins, IT Committee – Technology Promotion, Small Business Association of Jamaica
 - 09:35 am **Renewable Energy, CIPORE Project**
Ms. Mona Whyte, Team Leader, Caribbean Energy Information System, SRC, Jamaica
- 09:50 am *Q&A Session*

10:00 am Tea & Coffee Break & networking opportunities

How to participate in a project proposal under FP7/ICT

Chair: Fabio Nacimbeni, WINDS-Caribe

FP7 Themes and Budgets, as of November 2006.

1. Network and Service Infrastructures (€585m)
2. Cognitive Systems, Interaction, Robotics (€193m)
3. Components, systems, engineering (€434m)
4. Digital Libraries & Content (€203m)
5. Sustainable and personalised healthcare (€174m)
6. Mobility, Sustainability, Energy Efficiency (€159m)
7. Independent Living & Inclusion (€73m)
8. Future & Emerging Technology (€185m)
9. Horizontal support actions (€15m)

- 10:30 am **The Next FP7 Call for Proposals**
Dr. Klaus Pendl, Directorate General Information Society and Media, European Commission
- 10:45 am **How to Develop a Proposal in the FP7**
Ms. Soraya Hidalgo, Project Manager, Technical University of Catalonia, Spain
- 11:00 am **Tools to foster future collaboration**
Mr. Daniel Pimienta, President, FUNREDES, Dominican Republic

11:15 am *Open discussion on strategy for participation in FP7*

11:30 am **ICT Thematic Group Discussions in parallel**
Discussion on possible cooperation project ideas and on Caribbean alliances, each Group will count with a EU-FP7 expert in the theme

Group 1: ICT for capacity development

Co-Chairs: Ms. Denyse White & Professor Ishenkumba kahwa

Group 2: ICT for disaster management and climate change

Chair: TBA

Group 3: ICT for trade and business

Chair: Mr. Roderick Sanatan

Group 4: Network and Service Infrastructures

Chair: Mr. Embert Charles

Group 5: Cognitive Systems – Digital Libraries

Co-Chairs: Professor Ulises Cortes & Dr. Daniel Coore

Group 6: Personalising Healthcare.

Chair: Dr. Winston Davidson

Group 7: Future and Emerging Technologies.

Chair: Mr Jeremy Whyte

01:00 pm **Lunch & networking opportunities**
Special Presentation – e-Learning Jamaica
Mr. Carlton Grant, ZED Jamaica

Context: ICT Thematic Group Discussions in parallel continue

02:00 pm **ICT Thematic Group Discussions: Outputs**
Chairs to report on discussions

03:30 pm **Closing Session: the Way Forward**
Dr. Klaus Pendl, European Commission
Professor Tara Dasgupta, EuroAfrica
Mr. Roderick Sanatan, WINDS-Caribe

04:00 pm **End of the workshop**
