

## INCO Conference Programme

**“Strengthening international cooperation in Research & Innovation  
Experiences from Latin America and the Caribbean, and Mediterranean Partner Countries”**

17 – 19 June 2013, Marseille, France

**Topic**

The main topic of the 4th INCONTACT conference will be **the future of international cooperation in Research and Innovation between Europe and third countries**. The conference will have a particular, but not exclusive focus on Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) and Mediterranean Partner Countries (MPC). The conference will present opportunities for developing and emerging countries in Horizon 2020 and other funding sources for projects of mutual interest between EU and the focused regions by the conference.

**Objectives**

During the one day conference, the following objectives are foreseen:

- Share information on international R&I cooperation
- Examine experiences of international R&I partnerships
- Collect the views of developing and emerging countries towards international cooperation in R&I
- Discuss opportunities and challenges for third countries in Horizon 2020 and other programmes
- Outline the frame for international cooperation in European and other programmes

**The 3 days programme is**

- Monday - 17/06/2013: Project meetings or side events
- Tuesday - 18/06/2013: Main day of the conference
- Wednesday - 19/06/2013: NCP meeting and training

**Participants (around 120-150)** - open to all stakeholders interested in international scientific cooperation

- INCO NCPs
- Representatives of EU member states
- EU Commission (DG RTD, DG DEVCO, EEAS)
- FP7 project coordinators with international partners
- Researchers involved in FP7 projects comprising partners from developing and emerging countries

**Location**

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## Conference Agenda

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### Monday, 17 June 2013

Project meetings and other side events

OPEN TO PROJECT MEMBERS ONLY

<b>09.30 – 17.00</b>	<b>INCONTACT consortium meeting</b> <b>Specific international cooperation project meetings</b>
<b>17.00 – 19.00</b>	<b>INCONTACT policy dialogue platform meeting</b>

<b>19.30 – 22.30</b>	<b>Welcome drink and poster exhibition “Water at the Heart of Science”</b> <i>Open to all stakeholders interested in international scientific cooperation</i>
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### Tuesday, 18 June 2013

**“Strengthening international cooperation in R&I: Experiences from LAC and MPC”**

OPEN TO ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS INTERESTED IN SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

<b>09.00 – 09.30</b>	<b>Registration</b>
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<b>09.30 – 10.30</b>	<b>OPENING SESSION</b>
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#### **Moderator**

**Dr. Jean Albergel**, Coordinator of European affairs, AIRD/IRD, France

#### **Welcome Words**

**Dr. Ariel Crozon**, Chairman’s office director of Michel Laurent, President of the Institute of Research for Development (IRD), France

**Dr. Elisabeth Lipiatou**, Head of Unit, European neighbourhood, Africa and Gulf, DG Research and Innovation, EC

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**Introduction of INCONTACT-One World**

**Mr. Epaminondas Christofilopoulos**, INCONTACT Coordinator, PRAXI / HELP-FORWARD Network, Greece

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**Key Note - Global transformations: travelling the knowledge and innovation road**

**Mr. Mats Karlsson**, Director of the Center for Mediterranean Integration, France

**10.30 – 11.00**      **Coffee Break**

**11.00 – 12.30**      **SESSION 1: International Cooperation with developing and emerging countries – from FP7 to Horizon 2020**

**Moderator**

**Dr. Jean Albergel**, Coordinator of European affairs, AIRD/IRD, France

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**Statistics on International Cooperation with developing and emerging countries in FP7**

**Mr. Christian Hansen**, Programme Manager, VINNOVA, Sweden

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**Views from Outside Europe: support to the International Dimension of Horizon 2020**

**Ms. María Mesonero Kromand**, Coordinator of International Relations at the National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT), Chile

**Mrs. Mamohloding Tlhagale**, Director of the Strategic Partnership Unit, Department of Science and Technology (DST), Republic of South Africa

**Ms. Zeinab El-Sadr**, Acting Executive Director, Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) Programme, Ministry of Scientific Research (MoSR), Egypt

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**Overview of international cooperation with developing and emerging countries: Horizon 2020**

**Dr. Elisabeth Lipiatou**, Head of Unit, European neighbourhood, Africa and Gulf, DG Research and Innovation, EC

**12.30 – 13.30**      **Buffet lunch**

13.30 – 15.30

**SESSION 2 Breakout groups: Future opportunities for STI partnerships**

**SESSION on Latin America and the Caribbean**

**Moderators**

**Dr. Stephanie Splett-Rudolph**, Head of the North and South America Unit, International Bureau of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany

**Ms. Erika Guzman**, Representative of CONACYT in Europe and Mexican INCO NCP, CONACYT, Belgium

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**Panellists**

**Dr. Indridi Benediktsson**, Senior Policy Officer, North America, Latin America and Caribbean, DG Research and Innovation, EC

**Mr. Gonzalo Arenas**, Director for International Cooperation in CONICYT, Chile

**Mrs. Monica Silenzi**, AICUE-NET coordinator, Deputy Director at the National Directorate of International Relations, MINCYT, Argentina

**Dr. Rosario Rojas**, Head of the Natural Products Research Unit of the Cayetano Heredia University, Peru

**Ms. Zoraida Martinez**, International projects and funding programmes manager, AIRD/IRD, France

**Dr. Miguel Equihua**, Ex-General Director of the Ecology Institute, Mexico

**SESSION on Mediterranean Partner Countries**

**Moderators**

**Dr. Akiça Bahri**, Coordinator of the African Water Facility Supports, African Bank for Development, Tunisia

**Dr. Rigas Arvanitis**, Senior researcher, IRD, Lebanon

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**Panellists**

**Dr. Elisabeth Lipiatou**, Head of Unit, European neighbourhood, Africa and Gulf, DG Research and Innovation, EC

**Prof. A. Hamid El-Zoheiry**, President of Heliopolis University, Senior Advisor for International Cooperation for Ministry of Scientific Research, MoSR, Egypt

**Dr. Claudio Bogliotti**, MEDSPRING coordinator, CIHEAM, Italy

**Prof. Michel Autric**, Director of the Euro-Mediterranean university consortium - TETHYS, Aix-Marseille University, France

**Ms. Oriane Hebert**, Coordinator of PACEIM, AIRD/IRD, France and **Dr. Oussama**

**Frioui**, PACEIM grantee (PACEIM : a program to support the development of innovative enterprises in the Mediterranean region), Tunisia

**Prof. Mohamed Chikhaoui**, Professor at Department of Natural Resources & Environment of Hassan II Institute of Agronomy & Veterinary (IAV), Morocco

**15.30 – 16.00 Refreshments**

**16.00 – 17.45 SESSION 3: Opportunities for Developing and Emerging Countries in European and International R&D&I programmes**

16.00 – 16.30 **Rapporteurs' summary of breakout session**

16.30 – 16.40 **Report of the INCONTACT Regional Dialogue Platform (LAC and MPC)**

**16.40 – 17.40 High-ranking panel discussion**

**Chaired by Prof. Jean-Pierre Finance**, Joint permanent representative of the Institute of Research for Development (IRD) and the CPU (Universities) to Brussels, Belgium

**Dr. Marc Moroni**, Deputy Head of the Strategy Service and Head of the Department for European and International Affairs, French Ministry of Higher Education and Research (MESR), France

**Dr. Indridi Benediktsson**, Senior Policy Officer, North America, Latin America and Caribbean, DG Research and Innovation, EC

**Ms. Almudena Carrero**, Spanish delegate at the SFIC Task Force, MINECO, Spain

**Mrs. Claudia Guerrero Monteza**, Director of International Technical Cooperation, SENACYT, Panama

**Dr. Khaled Elshuraydeh**, General Secretary of The Higher Council for Science and Technology (HCST), Jordan

**Conclusions of the Chair**

17.40 – 17-45 **Results and perspectives: INCONTACT 2020**

**Mr. Epaminondas Christofilopoulos**, INCONTACT Coordinator, PRAXI / HELP-FORWARD Network, Greece

**19.30 – 22.30 Dinner in the Vieux Port (Old Port) of Marseille**

Wednesday 19 June 2013

NCP Networking Day

**OPEN TO INCO NCPs ONLY**

08.30 – 09.00	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09.00 – 13.00</b>	<b>INCO NCP Meeting</b>
09.00 - 09.15	Welcome
09.15 - 09.30	Tour de table
09.30 - 10.00	<b>INCONTACT – update</b> <b>Mr. Epaminondas Christofilopoulos</b> , INCONTACT Coordinator, PRAXI / HELP-FORWARD Network, Greece
10.00 - 10.30	<b>Activities of International Cooperation 2013: Results</b> <b>Mr. Tomas Matraia</b> , Policy Officer, European neighbourhood, Africa and Gulf Unit, DG Research & Innovation, CE
10.30 - 11.00	<b>International Cooperation: Transition to Horizon 2020</b> <b>Mr. Tomas Matraia</b> , Policy Officer, European neighbourhood, Africa and Gulf Unit, DG Research & Innovation, CE
11.00 - 11.20	<b>Coffee break</b>
11.20 - 12.15	<b>Communication in EU funded Project: A strategic Approach</b> <b>Mr. Tomas Matraia</b> , Policy Officer, European neighbourhood, Africa and Gulf Unit, DG Research & Innovation, CE
12.15 - 13.00	<b>NCPs dancing</b>
12.15 – 12.25	<b>Collaboration with ICPC countries:</b> <b>Mrs. Ülle Must</b> , INCO NCP, Estonia
12.25 – 12.35	<b>The benefits of having national support and financial investment for the NCP network:</b> <b>Mrs. Mamohlosing Tlhagale</b> , INCO NCP, Republic of South Africa
12.35 – 12.45	<b>EU-Kazakhstan innovation through cooperation:</b> <b>Dr. Kamila Magzieva</b> , INCO NCP, Kazakhstan
12.45 – 12.55	<b>Knowledge gateway:</b> <b>Mr. Humphrey Vrolijk</b> , INCO NCP, Aruba
12.55 – 13.00	<b>Conclusions of the INCO NCP meeting</b>

13.00 - 14.00 **Light Lunch**

**14.00 - 16.00 INCO NCP training**

14.00 – 16.00 **Welcome and introduction to the training session**

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14.00 – 16.00 **The concept of innovation in the EU research project**

**Gianluigi Di Bello**, APRE, Italy

**The use of social media in the EU research project**

**Véronique Sordet**, Euresearch, Switzerland