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What's Going On...

Date	Location	Events
15-20 April 2007	Vienne, Austria	<p>GEOSCIENCES</p> <p>European Geosciences Union - General Assembly 2007 The General Assembly 2007 of the European Geosciences Union (EGU) is held at the Austria Center Vienna (ACV) in Vienna, Austria, and is open to the scientists of all nations.</p> <p>The EGU General Assembly will bring together geoscientists from all over Europe and the rest of the world into one meeting covering all disciplines of the Earth, Planetary and Space Sciences. Especially for young scientists the EGU appeals to provide a forum to present their work and discuss their ideas with experts in all fields of geosciences.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://meetings.copernicus.org/egu2007/</p>
20 April 2007	Catania, Italy	<p>FP7 - CAPACITIES / International Cooperation</p> <p>Info day on international cooperation in FP7 An information day on international cooperation within the Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) will take place on 20 April in Catania, Italy.</p> <p>The event will provide a general overview of international cooperation opportunities within FP7, as well as more specific details of this theme within the 'Capacity' programme.</p> <p>Speakers will include representatives from the European Commission's Research Directorate-General and the Italian National Contact Point for international cooperation.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.apre.it/Eventi/giornata.asp?id=776</p>
17-19 April 2007	Brussels, Belgium	<p>FP7 - COOPERATION / Thematic: HEALTH</p> <p>The role of fruit and vegetables in the fight against obesity EU Agriculture and Rural Development Commissioner Mariann Fischer Boel will attend a conference on the role of fruit and vegetables in the fight against obesity taking place in Brussels from 17 to 19 April.</p> <p>The conference will assemble over 150 international high-level scientists and decision-makers to further elucidate the mechanisms through which fruit and vegetable intake may contribute to obesity prevention, and to decide on the most appropriate and effective strategies to increase fruit and vegetable intake.</p> <p>The programme will comprise six main sessions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - nutrition transition and obesity; - why fruit and vegetables are considered health: an epidemiologic overview; - dietary fibre and body weight regulation; - childhood obesity and the early metabolic process leading to atherosclerosis; - marketing impact on food consumption; - pesticides residues and perception of fruit and vegetable safety



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17-18 April 2007	Brussels, Belgium	<p>For more information, please visit: https://www.colloquium.fr/ei/cm.esp?id=273&pageid=1XW0VS420</p> <p>FP7 - COOPERATION / Thematic: AGRICULTURE, FOOD</p> <p>Perspectives for Food 2030 A conference on future research and competitiveness aspects of the European food industry will take place on 17 and 18 April in Brussels, Belgium.</p> <p>Organised by the European Commission's Directorate-General for Research, the event will be a chance to debate policy and industry developments, and to discuss research. EU Commissioner for Science and Research Janez Potocnik and Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development Mariann Fischer-Boel will participate in the debate.</p> <p>The conference will be divided into four main sessions: - trends and outlook in world economics, culture and food; - drivers of food demand and of the market today and tomorrow; - new technologies for food production; - future perceptions of food.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://ec.europa.eu/research/conferences/2007/food2030/index_en.htm</p>
20-21 April 2007	Budapest, Hungary	<p>FP7 - COOPERATION / Thematic: AGRICULTURE, FOOD</p> <p>EARNEST - Early Nutrition Programming & Health Outcomes in Later Life: Obesity and Beyond - Conference Nutrition during pregnancy and infancy can exert important long-term effects on development and health. These “programming” effects of early nutrition on health in later life are an important topic in biomedical research, nutritional and health care practice and in health policy in the near future. This International Conference provides up-to-date information on basic scientific research, epidemiological data and clinical findings on the fascinating relationship of maternal and infantile dietary intakes to various functions of the organism at later ages. With the support of the European Commission (EARNEST FOOD-CT-2005-007036) scientists, clinicians, representatives of recommending bodies and food manufacturers can be brought together to discuss their findings and develop new synergistic approaches for further advances in this field. Invited experts will provide state of the art lectures on all major topics, and young scientists present their original research. A variety of opportunities are expected to arise for improving nutrition policy as well as products of the food industry. The conference is held as a satellite of the 15th European Congress on Obesity. Therefore, the potential early nutritional roots of later obesity will be one of the focal points of the conference.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://earnest.web.med.uni-muenchen.de/budapest2007/</p>
21-25 April 2007	Rungsted, Denmark	<p>Marie Curie fellowship</p> <p>Conference on sustainable energy A conference for Marie Curie fellows performing research in the area of sustainable energy will take place from 21 to 25 April in Rungsted, near Copenhagen, in Denmark.</p> <p>The event aims to help fellows broaden their training in sustainable energy research beyond the confines of their own research field.</p>



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		<p>This year's conference will focus on the theme of clean and renewable energies, and will include presentations by keynote speakers, discussion groups on energy-related topics, and industrial visits to an offshore wind farm and a combined heat and power installation.</p> <p>For more information, please click: here</p>
23 April 2007	Newcastle, UK	<p>FP7 – COOPERATION / Thematic : HEALTH</p> <p>AGEACTION conference: changing expectations of life A one-day conference on 'changing expectations of life' will be held in Newcastle, UK on 23 April.</p> <p>The conference is organised by the EU-funded AGEACTION project. Topics on the agenda include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- EU funding for ageing research;- active ageing around the world;- citizenship and society in an ageing Europe;- the medical challenges of longer life;- technologies to enhance older age;- economic opportunities of increasing longevity. <p>For more information, please visit: http://ageaction.ncl.ac.uk/</p>
25 April 2007	Brussels, Belgium	<p>FP7 – COOPERATION / Thematic : HEALTH</p> <p>European Public Health Research in Action – Information Day</p> <p>A one day conference to give an overview of all the available opportunities in FP7 Health Research's Third Pillar: 'Optimising delivery of health to European Citizens'.</p> <p>This is a free information day on April 25th in Brussels for anyone interested in research on 'Optimising delivery of health to European Citizens', the third pillar.</p> <p>Programme, practical information and registration are available at: http://publichealthinfoday.intbase.com. Following registration, participants will receive an invitation from the EC which will give them access to the conference and building. There will be no reimbursement for travel or accommodation costs. Room is for max 440 people. Simultaneous interpretation in German, French, Spanish and Italian will be provided.</p> <p>For more information, contact Angela Casado Garcia-Hirschfeld, or Véronique Bernard.</p>
27 April 2007	Marseille, France	<p>FP7 – COOPERATION / Thematic : HEALTH</p> <p>Understanding viral mechanisms of evolution The EU-funded VIZIER (Viral Enzymes Involved in Replication) project will hold its first industrial and scientific meeting.</p> <p>The event will offer participants a unique opportunity to find out more about the VIZIER Project and meet with the consortium scientists, the scientific community, and other industrial participants.</p> <p>During this one day meeting, invited speakers will present</p>



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		<p>epidemiological reports, the latest results on our understanding of viral mechanisms of action and evolution, and the strategies in place for developing anti-viral compounds.</p> <p>Topics include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applied virology - Hepatitis session - Respiratory Viruses session - Hemorrhagic Fevers session - Emerging Viral Diseases session <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.vizier-europe.org/article206.html</p>
2-5 may 2007	Amsterdam, Netherlands	<p>HEALTH</p> <p>Molecular profiling of the genome</p> <p>This conference will revolve around the role of small and large sequence variation such as polymorphisms, segmental duplications, CNVs and SNPs, deletions and chromosomal rearrangements. The event will play a crucial role in the integration and discussions relating to methodological aspects of emerging array, sequencing and (post-)genomic technologies for the study of the human genome variations. Arrays are being developed that further increase genome resolution. This further facilitates the analysis of genome variation between individuals and allows for the development of diagnostic tools for patient tailored medicine. The conference will highlight and discuss collection and processing of sequence variation of many individuals, the clinical relevance of structural or chromosomal variations or variable genetic profiles, which will be illustrated by recent findings for cancer, constitutional and communicable diseases.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.mc-gard.eu/home.php?action=home</p>
09 May 2007	Heildeberg, Germany	<p>FP7 – CAPACITIES / Science in society</p> <p>International women in science conference</p> <p>An international conference on women in science, entitled 'The way forward', will be held in Heidelberg, Germany from 9 to 11 May.</p> <p>Organised by the EU-funded SET-Routes project, the event will bring together scientists, politicians and other decision-makers, with the aim of inspiring participants to take action that will help attract women into science and keep them there.</p> <p>The overriding focus of the three-day conference will be to move forward and find concrete ways to improve the prospects of women working in science. Presentations will take a constructive look at the current situation - evaluating progress, identifying good practice and showcasing initiatives that are having a positive impact on the working environment of women scientists.</p> <p>The meeting comprises four sessions: 'Successful initiatives in the spotlight', 'Committees as gatekeepers', 'What can politics do?' and 'Changing institutional culture'.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.set-routes.org/conference/index.html</p>
9-11 may 2007	Maputo, Mozambique	<p>IST-AFRICA 2007 CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION</p>



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11-15 may 2007	Ispra, Italy	<p>Framework Programme 6th Hosted by the Government of Mozambique, the IST-Africa 2007 Conference & Exhibition takes place 9 - 11 May 2007 in Maputo. Part of the IST-Africa Initiative, which is supported by the European Commission under the IST Programme of Framework Programme 6 (FP6), IST-Africa 2007 is the second in an Annual Conference Series which brings together representatives from leading commercial, government & research organisations across Africa and Europe, to bridge the Digital Divide by sharing knowledge, experience, lessons learnt and good practice.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.ist-africa.org/Conference2007/</p> <p>FP7 – JRC Open doors at the Joint Research Centre's site in Ispra Open Day at the Commission's Joint Research Centre. Laboratories will be open with hands-on activities, events and science-oriented presentations together with live experiments that visitors can take part in.</p> <p>The European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Ispra will dedicate its annual Open Day (12/05/07) to the 50th anniversary of the Treaty of Rome. Laboratories will be open with hands-on activities for kids. Topical presentations will take place together with experiments and demonstrations.</p> <p>The JRC in Ispra conducts studies on a wide range of topics, from volcanic activity through to air pollution and food safety.</p> <p>Other JRC institutes, Commission services and European organisations based in Italy will attend the Open Day with exhibitions of their different activities. 3,000 - 5,000 visitors are expected with a high percentage being children and students. In advance of the event, a competition will be held for schools in Rome with the winning class being awarded a trip to the event.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://europa.eu/50/countries/italia/070511_en.htm</p>
16-17 may 2007	London, UK	<p>NANOTECHNOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT Nanotechnology - Products and Processes for Environmental Benefit Nanotechnology is the basis of many new products and processes that can reduce pollution, minimise use of scarce resources (including energy) and offer substitutes for several hazardous chemicals.</p> <p>Applications already in the market include catalysts that prevent toxic chemicals from being released into the environment, textile finishes that minimise the need for washing and reduce the transmission of disease, low-toxicity coatings that prevent biofouling, biocidal coatings that reduce the incidence and transmission of MRSA and other diseases, and new generation flame retardants that are much more environmentally friendly.</p> <p>This event will examine these and other technologies that offer real environmental benefit, and will also review the findings of the recently published STOA report on the Role of Nanotechnology in Chemical Substitution.</p> <p>For more information, please visit:</p>



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22-27 may 2007	Beijing, China	<p>http://www.nano.org.uk/newsletter/environment/index.htm</p> <p>ECOLOGY</p> <p>Eco summit 2007 This Eco Summit will focus on integrative aspects of all ecological science and its application under the general theme of "Ecological Complexity and Sustainability: Challenges and Opportunities for 21st-Century's Ecology". The aim of this Eco Summit is to encourage a greater integration of both the natural and social sciences with the policy and decision-making community to develop a better understanding of the complex nature of ecological systems. This understanding will provide the basis for sustainable solutions to environmental problems.</p> <p>The scientific program will feature: plenary sessions, symposia, contributed oral and poster sessions, and special evening sessions. A variety of scientific field trips will also be planned.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.ecosummit2007.elsevier.com/</p>
01 June – 22 July 2007	Barcelona, Spain	<p>SCIENCE COMMITTEE</p> <p>CALL FOR PROPOSALS: Euroscience Open Forum 2008 The mission of Euroscience Open Forum (ESOF) is to provide an open platform for debate and communication for the science community of Europe and the world. It presents and profiles Europe's leading research trends in the sciences, humanities and social sciences. It is an opportunity to discuss and influence the future of research and innovation in Europe.</p> <p>The Call for Proposals period begins March 1, 2007 and ends June 2007. After a Call for Proposals, the Programme Committee will manage the proposal selection process to guarantee high-quality scientific sessions. The sessions will take the format of presentations and debates, usually with a number of featured panellists. Nobel Prize winners and trend-setting innovators will speak in the Scientific Programme about ESOF2008 themes and the leading scientific questions of the day.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.esof2008.org/#</p>
12-16 June 2007	Funchal, Madeira, Portugal	<p>INFORMATION SYSTEMS</p> <p>ICEIS 2007 9th International Conference on Enterprise Information Systems The purpose of the 9th International Conference on Enterprise Information Systems (ICEIS) is to bring together researchers, engineers and practitioners interested in the advances and business applications of information systems. Five simultaneous tracks will be held, covering different aspects of Enterprise Information Systems Applications, including Enterprise Database Technology, Systems Integration, Artificial Intelligence, Decision Support Systems, Information Systems Analysis and Specification, Internet Computing, Electronic Commerce and Human Factors</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.iceis.org/</p>
19-21 June 2007	Dusseldorf, Germany	<p>NANOTECHNOLOGIES</p>



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26-28 June 2007	Marseille, France	<p>EuroNanoForum 2007 - Nanotechnology in Industrial Application The EuroNanoForum 2007 is a European congress for the nanotechnology transfer from research into industrial production processes, products and applications. It brings together excellent scientists with leading researchers and managers from industry and finance as well as policy makers.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.euronanoforum2007.eu/</p>
		<p>WATER AND SANITATION</p> <p>Hydrotop 2007 9th edition of Euro-Mediterranean crossroads of water. This conference aims to debate the primordial issue of water in the Euro-Mediterranean basin with industrialists, ordering parties, collectivities and world-class experts in water and sanitation.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.hydrotop.com/index.php</p>
04-06 July 2007	Porto, Portugal	<p>GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS WORKSHOP</p> <p>Environment The 13th EC GI & GIS (geographic information and geographic information systems) workshop will be held in Porto, Portugal.</p> <p>With the agreement on the text of the INSPIRE directive, the focus of this year's workshop is on contribution of Spatial Data Infrastructures (SDIs) on environmental analyses and modelling. The objectives of this year's workshop are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- identify the contribution of SDIs to environmental analysis, monitoring, and modelling; environmental protection, natural hazards prediction and mitigation, and other applications including water, soil, land use and land cover change, forestry, and atmospheric pollution;- review the current state of progress of the INSPIRE legislation;- offer an opportunity to the INSPIRE Drafting Teams to report on the development of the INSPIRE Implementing Rules- further understanding of the implementation challenges, costs, and benefits of SDIs at national, regional, and local level;- identify key issues and opportunities for European SDI projects. <p>The workshop will be organised through a series of plenary sessions addressing common policy issues, and parallel sessions focusing in particular on applications/implementations of SDIs, and research issues.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.ec-gis.org/Workshops/13ec-gis/</p>