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What's Going On...

Date	Location	Events
27-30 August 2007	Paris, France	Continental Biosphere Vegetation and Water Cycle: Analyses and Prospects International Conference. Water has always been a central concern for humankind. Anthropogenic evolution has recently placed great pressure on this vital and fragile resource in the continental biosphere, making water, more than ever, a major concern. This conference will focus on these needs as well as on an assessment of general accumulated knowledge in these fields, achievable future improvements, and bottlenecks that, once identified and resolved, can help bring about not only clarification but eventually solutions to scientific questions and anthropogenic and ecological concerns. Discussion is welcomed on all factors acting on local variability and any feedback modifying the water cycle through more or less complex integrated systems from the local to the global scale. For this conference, three main themes have been selected and organised as one-day sessions: - Biosphere-atmosphere coupling: process analyses; - Advances in understanding and modelling the interactions and overlap among local, regional and global scales; and - Rural and land-use planning and integrated systems. For more information, please visit: http://afeid.montpellier.cemagref.fr/Biosphere.htm
05-07 September 2007	Coimbra, Portugal	Ecosystems and Sustainable Development ECOSUD 2007 ECOSUD 2007 is the Sixth International Conference in the well-established series on Ecosystems and Sustainable Development. The meetings provide a unique forum for the presentation and discussion of recent work on different aspects of ecosystems and sustainable development, including physical sciences and modelling. ECOSUD aims to help create a new science in line with Prigogine's statement that "at all levels we observe events associated with the emergence of novelties and narrative elements, which we may associate with the creative power of nature". The aim of the Conference is to encourage and facilitate the interdisciplinary communication between scientists, engineers and professionals working in ecological systems and sustainable development. Emphasis will be given to those areas that will most benefit from the application of scientific methods for sustainable development, including the conservation of natural systems around the world. The Conference objectives have evolved over the years, seeking to integrate thermodynamics, ecology and economics into "ecodynamics". ECOSUD 2007 will be of interest to scientists, engineers and professionals, working in the areas of ecological systems and sustainable development. For more information, please visit: http://www.wessex.ac.uk
6-7 September 2007	Cairo, Egypt	Textile and clothing Euro-Mediterranean Conference on Research and Innovation in Textiles and Clothing The European Commission's Enterprise and Industry Directorate General with the support of the Commission's Europe-Aid Co-operation Office is holding a Euro-Mediterranean conference on research and innovation in textiles and clothing on 6-7 September 2007 in Cairo, Egypt. It is the second conference organized this year in the framework of the Euro-



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13 September 2007	Brussels, Belgium	<p>Mediterranean Dialogue on textiles and clothing conducted by the Commission since 2004. It is dedicated to EU and Mediterranean countries, namely textile and clothing SMEs, textile and clothing industrial associations, researchers and research/technical centres or institutes/organization that facilitate textile enterprises to develop innovative products.</p> <p>The aim of the conference is to establish co-operation between EU and Mediterranean partner countries in R&D and innovation, especially between the research sector and the industry. This will be achieved through exchanging information - and hence improving awareness - of the latest research and industrial developments and future innovative efforts and trends in the sector throughout the Euro-Med region, as well as to promote technology transfer within it.</p> <p>The conference should enable the demonstration of success stories and good practices from innovative enterprises and institutes, centres and organizations that serve the firms of the textile and clothing sector in their innovation activities.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/textile/conf_tc200709_en.htm</p> <p>FP7 - COOPERATION / Thematic: HEALTH</p> <p>Conference on rare diseases: building on success</p> <p>A conference on research into rare diseases will be held in Brussels, Belgium on 13 September 2007.</p> <p>Organised by the European Commission in the context of the Seventh Framework Programme (FP7), the aim of the event is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase the visibility of rare diseases research and raise awareness within the 27 EU Member States and the European Parliament of the research needs in this area, thereby benefiting... - To provide the rare diseases community with the opportunity to express their needs in terms of research; - To provide the European Commission with a sound input for future FP7 calls for research proposals. <p>For more information, please visit: http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/cooperation/health-events_en.html</p>
16-19 September 2007	Barcelona, Spain	<p>Biotechnology</p> <p>The 13th European Congress on Biotechnology (ECB13)</p> <p>DG Research (Directorate E and Directorate F) will be participating in this event which is one of the foremost scientific congresses for biotechnology and takes place every two years in a different city in Europe.</p> <p>The event will feature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a key note presentation by Commissioner Potocnic, - a special session on FP to present funding possibilities in the Life Sciences, - a special session on International Cooperation in the Life Sciences - a stand in the exhibition together with the EPO. <p>Run by and for Europe's biotechnologists and biotech stakeholders, the European Congress on Biotechnology is the longest running international and multidisciplinary biotechnology congress in Europe. It is unique in bringing together Europe and the world's best biotechnologists to present and discuss cutting-edge science in all the disciplines of biotechnology and providing world-class partnering services to help you meet your best potential partners. The 13th European Congress on Biotechnology will focus on addressing the great challenges to humanity through the crucial theme of Symbiosis, applying cutting-edge Science and Industry in support of Society.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.ecb13.eu/</p>
18-19	Milan,	Nanotechnologies



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September 2007	Italy	<p>Nanoforum</p> <p>Among the emerging technologies, nanotechnologies represent for the industrial world a very important chance of growth and innovation. In fact, they allow to assemble, manipulate and characterize matter at the molecular and atomic level, that is at the level of nanometre dimension, touching, as seen in the last two editions of nanoforum, the most varied fields of research: from health to biotechnology, from agriculture to computer science, from materials to space research, from environment to safety, etc.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.nanoforum.it/english/english.htm</p>
18-20 September 2007	Brussels, Belgium	<p>Transport</p> <p>European Transport Forum 2007</p> <p>The European Transport Forum is a platform for open debate on Transportation issues. As a follow-up to the 2004 Volvo Week, three high level debates are organised by Volvo Group in September 2007. Themes for the debates are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Living With Mobility in the World's Cities ➤ Making Sense of the Great Debate of New Fuel Technologies ➤ CO2-Free Manufacturing: A Reality ➤ Making Vehicle Security a Stronger Link in the Drive against Crime and Terrorism <p>The European Transport Forum is one of the major events on transportation in the Brussels conference calendar.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.europeantransportforum.eu/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1</p>
21 September 2007	Brussels, events	<p>Energy</p> <p>Launch Conference of the European Technology Platform on Sustainable Nuclear Energy (SNE-TP)</p> <p>On 21 September 2007, the European Commission will host the Launch Conference of the Sustainable Nuclear Energy Technology Platform (SNE-TP). The event will be made up of speeches by top-level representatives from the Commission, the industry (the nuclear industry, but also users of electricity and process heat), academic and research organisations, national authorities, etc. The Commissioner for Research, Mr Potočnik, has announced his readiness to participate as the host for the event.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://ec.europa.eu/research/energy/gp/gp_events/article_1567_en.htm#euradwaste08</p>
25-28 September 2007	Brest, France	<p>Environment</p> <p>9th International Conference on Nearshore and Estuarine Cohesive Sediment Transport Processes</p> <p>The IntercoH conference series initiated by Prof. A.J. Mehta is an international platform where scientists and engineers worldwide can meet and exchange experiences to develop a better understanding of the transport of fine-grained sediments. Typically about one hundred scientists attend the conference and all sessions are plenary, permitting ample opportunity to discuss findings and exchange ideas.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.lfremer.fr/intercoh2007/index.htm</p>
26-28 September 2007	Lille, France	<p>Biotechnology</p> <p>EuroBio 2007</p> <p>The 4 main aspects that make this event unique – conferences, a trade exhibition, a business convention and a recruitment drive – make it possible to bring together partners from the worlds of Research, Industry and Finance. All aspects of the subject</p>



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		<p>will be represented, from the "health sector" applications for biotechnology (pharmacy, diagnosis) to the fields in which biotechnology provides technological solutions and product applications (cosmetics, chemistry, the environment, the food industry...). EuroBioPartnering is the business convention, playing the role of a genuine catalyst for technology transfer projects. It also encourages and supports inter-company and business-academic laboratory research collaboration. This year, EuroBioPartnering should result in 1,000 business meetings.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.eurobio-event.com/</p>
6 October 2007	Dresden, Germany	<p>ICT</p> <p>ECCS 2007 Showcase of European Complexity Science projects (CRP Forum)</p> <p>At the beginning of the CRP forum day there will be the FET workshop taking place explaining new directions of research and funding opportunities by Information Society Technologies (IST) in FP7. The programme of the FET workshop can be found here. The CRP forum is a day of discussion on complexity research projects, taking place after ECCS 2007, this year's European Complex Systems Conference.</p> <p>In contrast to the ECCS programme, the presentation at the CRP forum is strictly project based, i.e. posters and oral presentations are not about individual research, but on joint research of a project and/or research institution.</p> <p>Every such project or institution is invited to present a poster at the CRP forum, with an arbitrary number of members of the project presenting it. For the application procedure please see here.</p> <p>An international panel will choose several oral presentations scheduled for the afternoon of the CRP forum day, see the programme. The CRP forum is a chance to present your project, and to find similar activities in related areas. We recommend to bring as much information material on your project as possible to the forum. There will be plenty of time for exchange during the day.</p> <p>A discussion on general research and funding opportunities in Complex Systems Research will take place in the evening after the CRP forum. We will invite representatives from European and National research councils, moreover representatives of major Complex Systems Research Institutions.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://lora.maths.warwick.ac.uk/~crp_forum/programme2007.html</p>
8-9 October 2007	Seville, Spain	<p>Knowledge for Growth</p> <p>Role and Dynamics of Corporate R&D - 1st European Conference</p> <p>This conference, by bringing together leading research practitioners and policy analysts on the issue, seeks to take stock of current understanding, explore new developments in the field, and provide an integrated picture accordingly.</p> <p>The main objectives of the Conference will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- To provide a platform for discussing corporate R&D- To bring the community of EU researchers and policy analysts together, sharing their specific knowledge on the subject- To outline emerging issues for further investigation of corporate R&D <p>The Conference is being organised jointly by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre - Institute for Prospective Technological Studies, and Directorate-General for Research.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://iri.jrc.es/concord_2007/index.html</p>
10-12 October	Beja, Portugal	<p>Energy</p> <p>European Meeting Point: Energy for Development 2007</p>



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2007		<p>This European Meeting Point offers the stage to those who wish to present contributions for new research, technology and innovation projects. Emerging technologies, new financing tools, local strategies hosting pilot applications, entrepreneurial projects, are examples of potential contributions.</p> <p>The energy and climate challenges call for new technologies and solutions. The new European programmes, CIP and FP7, and structural funds may converge to bring effective answers to those challenges. This European Meeting Point brings together European consortia at the very start of the 2007-2013 period.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.energyanddevelopment-2007.net/pages/news.php</p>
22-24 October 2007	Istanbul, Turkey	<p>FP7 - COOPERATION / Thematic: AGRICULTURE, FOOD</p> <p>International congress on food and nutrition</p> <p>An international congress on food and nutrition will take place in Istanbul, Turkey, from 22 to 24 October.</p> <p>The congress will highlight current areas of research, and will explore topics that are likely to be important in the future.</p> <p>The event will provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and views between leading scientists (including food scientists, technologists, nutritionists and medical professionals), as well as business leaders and investors.</p> <p>Discussions will also take place on the 'Food, agriculture, fisheries and biotechnology' thematic priority of the EU's Seventh Framework Programme for research (FP7).</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.tubitak.foodcongress.org</p>
22-25 October 2007	Vienna, Austria	<p>Health</p> <p>World of Health IT 2007 Conference & Exhibition</p> <p>The World of Health IT Conference & Exhibition was born in 2006 out of a need to bring the key stakeholders in healthcare delivery through technology together for the first time. Much remains to be done.</p> <p>The World of Health IT 2007 Conference & Exhibition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Connects in an interactive platform healthcare IT professionals from around the world ➤ Highlights the growing need for technological solutions in the EMEA region. ➤ Examines the impact of technology on the quality and efficiency of healthcare delivery <p>Target current issues: The World of Health IT addresses the concerns of the community</p> <p>WHIT 2007 will focus on the experiences of deployed service and include the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Integrating IT Leadership to Improve Healthcare Delivery and Performance ➤ eHealth Implementation – From Plans to Action ➤ Patient Safety ➤ Integrated Care ➤ Emerging Technologies and Healthcare Delivery <p>Focus on interoperability: The World of Health IT is hosting the IHE Europe Showcase</p> <p>The IHE Interoperability Showcase will run parallel to the conference & exhibition. Among other topics, the Showcase will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Electronic Health Record (EHR) ➤ Personal Health Record (PHR) ➤ Cardiology



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23-25 October 2007	Paris, France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Radiology ➤ Laboratory ➤ Healthcare Information Systems ➤ Patient Care Devices <p>Continue to grow: Attending WHIT can earn you CME credits</p> <p>The Healthcare Information Management Systems Society (HIMSS) is applying for CME accreditation for the World of Health IT Conference from the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME).</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.worldofhealthit.org/info/why.aspx</p> <p>FP7 - COOPERATION / Thematic: AGRICULTURE, FOOD</p> <p>International symposium: animal genomics for animal health</p> <p>An international symposium on animal genomics for animal health will take place in Paris, France, from 23 to 25 October.</p> <p>The symposium will address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - what the human genome has accomplished; - where we currently stand with animal genomes and animal health; - research projects that are using animal genomics to understand animal diseases, disease susceptibility, desirable animal health traits, and the development of new tools to prevent and control animal diseases; - critical needs and future applications in animal health - the next steps for research and industry. <p>The EU-funded Network of Excellence EADGENE is involved in the event.</p> <p>Renowned academics and industry representatives from around Europe and beyond will speak at the symposium.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.ars.usda.gov/meetings/AGAH2007/</p>
24-26 October 2007	The Hague, The Netherlands	<p>ICT</p> <p>eChallenges e-2007</p> <p>The eChallenges e-2007 Conference & Exhibition takes place in the beautiful city of The Hague (Den Haag). This is the seventeenth in a series of annual technology research conferences supported by the European Commission, which regularly attracts over 600 delegates from leading commercial, government and research organisations around the world to share knowledge and experience, lessons learnt and good practice in areas of applied Information Communication Technologies (ICT).</p> <p>Core thematic areas include ICT for Networked Enterprise, eGovernment and eDemocracy, Collaborative Working Environments, eHealth, Knowledge and Content Technologies, Security and Identity Management and Technology Enhanced Learning and ICT Skills.</p> <p>The goals of e-2007 are to stimulate take-up of applied ICT research results by industry and government, to promote knowledge sharing between industry, government and the global research community, to exchange experiences about the current state of eAdoption at a sectoral, national or regional level and open up the European Research Area (ERA) to the rest of the world.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.echallenges.org/e2007/default.asp?page=home</p>
3-6 December	Beijing, China	<p>Agricultural research</p> <p>CGIAR annual general meeting</p>



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4-6 December 2007	Paris, France	<p>For more information, please visit: http://www.cgiar.org/index.html</p> <p>Agriculture</p> <p>FARM conference: "Which microfinance for agriculture in developing countries?"</p> <p>Although present in rural areas, the response of microfinance institutions to agricultural demand is generally either insufficient or inappropriate. Family farms in the South face different constraints than do small entrepreneurs; their economic cycle is long, risk is elevated, profit margins are volatile, and financial service needs are concentrated in certain periods of the year, as is cash for repayment. Can existing microfinance models offer services that are truly useful to farming families?</p> <p>Microfinance for agriculture is the subject of a two-and-a-half day conference organized by the FARM Foundation in Paris on December 4-6, 2007. The conference will be structured by three plenary sessions and six workshops, which will look at "what solutions can microfinance bring to farming?"; "what is the impact of microfinance on economic activity?"; and "what public policies would yield better financial services for agriculture?". Workshops will focus on concrete questions such as the specificity of financial services for agriculture; the need for an institutional model of reference for agriculture; and non-financial services to the agricultural sector.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.fondation-farm.org/article.php3?id_article=230&lang=en</p>
6-8 December 2007	Montpellier, France	<p>Energy</p> <p>ENERGAIA: International Renewable Energies Exhibition</p> <p>ENERGAIA, the International Renewable Energies Exhibition of Montpellier will be the meeting point, and a business platform for all who, in France, in Europe, in the Mediterranean world and well beyond, wish to contribute to the environmental well being, and in the same time to the development of companies and employment.</p> <p>This is the deep meaning of the support of the Region to this first International Renewable Energies Exhibition of Montpellier.</p> <p>ENERGAIA will be the opportunity to create partnerships between the "renewable energies" networks of both sides of the MEDITERRANEAN SEA. ENERGAIA will be the opportunity to create partnerships between the "renewable energies" networks of both sides of the Mediterranean sea.</p> <p>For more information, please visit: http://www.energaia-expo.com/uk/index.html</p>