



EUROMED-2030

A FORWARD LOOK ON THE LONG-TERM CHALLENGES FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA

Thursday, 16th December 2010, European Commission

Brussels, 170 Rue de la Loi, Charlemagne building, room Sicco Mansholt

08.30 Registration and Coffee

9.00 – 9.45 Session I – EuroMed policy context

Welcome by *Jean-Michel Baer*, Director, European Commission, DG Research

09.00 Global dimension of research and innovation: The case of the Mediterranean
Máire Geoghegan-Quinn, Commissioner in charge of Research and Innovation (tbc)

09.15 Actions of the Belgian Presidency in Research and innovation in the Mediterranean area
Benoît Cerexhe, Minister for economy, employment and research (tbc)

09.30 Present and future challenges in the EuroMed region
Ghassan Salamé, Former Minister of Culture in Lebanon and Professor at Sciences Po (tbc)

9.45 – 13.00 Session II – Trends and Tensions in the region up to 2030

Chair person: *Tomas Dupla del Moral*, Director, European Commission, DG RELEX (tbc)

9.45 Demographic and macro-economic trends and tensions
Joaquín Arango, Instituto Universitario de Investigación Ortega y Gasset

10.10 Sustainability issues (water, energy, agriculture and climate change)
Houda Allal, Observatoire Méditerranéen de l'Energie (OME)

10.40 Comments from stakeholders and decision-makers

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Geopolitics and governance
Roberto Aliboni, International Affairs Institute (IAI)

12.00 Culture, values and religions
Mohamed Tozy, Université d'Aix (IEP) and Université Hassan II de Casablanca

12.30 Comments from stakeholders and decision-makers

13.00 Lunch

14.00 – 16.00 Session III – Transitions in the EuroMed area

Chair person: *Jean-Claude Thébault*, Director General, European Commission, BEPA (tbc)

14.00 Managing conflict

Amine Ait-Chaalal, Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL)

14.20 Win-win solutions

Sébastien Abis, International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM)

14.40 Deeper EuroMed socio-economic integration

Ibrahim Saif, Secretary General of the Economic and Social Council of Jordan

15.00 Towards a EuroMed Community/Alliance

Cilja Harders, Freie Universität Berlin and *Andrea Amato*, Istituto per il Mediterraneo (IMED)

15.20 Comments from stakeholders and decision-makers

15.40 Coffee break

16.00 – 17.30 Session IV – Questions and perspectives on EuroMed

Chair person: *Jean-Michel Baer*, Director, European Commission, DG Research

16.00 Towards and Avicenna Plan for education and mobility of researchers?

Bahgat Korany, American University in Cairo

16.20 Towards a EuroMed science, technology and innovation Union?

Rafael Rodriguez Clemente, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas (CSIC)

16.40 Comments from stakeholders and decision-makers

17.00 Perspectives on the EU research and innovation activities in the EuroMed area

Pierre Valette and Domenico Rossetti, European Commission, DG Research

17.20 Conclusions

Jean-Michel Baer, European Commission, DG Research