

The Role of Science Academies in Providing Evidence-Informed Advice in Bi-regional Policy Dialogues

Agenda

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Day 1 | 9 November 2016 | 14:00 – 17:30

Facilitators: Ms Mmampei Chaba and Mr Stanley Maphosa

Time	Item	Speaker(s)
14:00	Arrival and Registration	
Session 1: Africa-EU Research and Innovation (R&I) Cooperation and the science-policy dialogue		
14:30 – 14:40	Welcome	Mr Daan du Toit Deputy Director-General: International Cooperation and Resources (DST)
14:40 – 15:10	Keynote: Science-informed advice for bi-regional policy dialogues – perspectives for policy makers and science academies	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current landscape of the Science-Policy-Society interface in continental and global policy dialogues and institutions 	Prof John Mugabe Professor of Science and Innovation Policy Graduate School of Technology Management (UP)
15:10 – 15:20	Q&A	
15:20 – 15:40	Africa-EU R&I Cooperation: 2 Continents 1 partnership	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Genesis of the Joint Africa-EU Strategy Africa-EU Research and Innovation (R&I) Partnership Africa-EU Policy frameworks and priorities 	Dr Philippe Mawoko Director: African Observatory for Science, Technology and Innovation (AUC)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Africa-EU High Level Policy Dialogue on science technology and innovation: Policy priorities, functions and potential opportunities for science academies The Africa-EU R&I Roadmap on Food and Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture 	Ms Natalija Dolya Project Officer Science and Technology Delegation of the European Commission to South Africa
15:40 – 15:50	Q&A	
15:50 – 16:05	Tea Break	
16:05 – 16:25	CAAST-Net Plus and Workshop Background	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purpose and objectives of the workshop 	Ms Mmampei Chaba (DST)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAAST-Net Plus as a catalyst to foster technical exchanges for enriching bi-regional policy dialogue processes 	Mr Stefan Haffner Scientific Officer Project Management Agency- German Aerospace Center
16:25 – 16:35	Q&A	
16:35 – 16:45	Briefing and expectations for day 2	
16:45 – 17:15	Closure	
<i>Rapporteurs: DST, DLR, ASSAf</i>		
18:15 – 21:30	Dinner	
	Venue: tbc	

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Day 2 | 10 November 2016 | 09:00 – 17:00

Facilitator: Prof Rasigan Maharajh

Time	Item	Speaker(s)
08:30 – 09:00	Arrival and registration	
Session 2: Science academies and bi-regional policy dialogue processes		
09:00 – 09:15	Recap and summary of day 1 discussions	Ms Mmampei Chaba (DST)
09:15 – 09:55	Presentations: Role of national academies and academy networks in influencing continental and global policy frameworks	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges, gaps and opportunities: Lessons from African and European science academies Good practices for a bi-regional policy dialogue platforms and the bi-regional research and innovation partnership 	Ms Jackie Olang Executive Director (NASAC) Dr Tracy Elliot Advisor (EASAC), Project Director (IAP)
09:55 – 10:15	Q&A	
10:15 – 10:35	Tea break	
10:35 – 11:35	Facilitated discussion: Identifying mechanisms for incorporating science-informed advice into bi-regional policy dialogue processes	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Role of science academies in providing evidence-informed policy advice to the Africa-EU HLPD Establishing communities of practice between European and African science academies in contributing towards the development of common policy positions for consensus on shared societal grand challenges 	All
11:35 – 12:00	Summary and way forward	
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch	

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Facilitators: Mr Stefan Haffner and Dr Happy Sithole

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Session 3: Africa-EU Knowledge Management Communication System		
13:00 – 13:20	Big data and the digital dimensions of knowledge management	Dr Happy Sithole Director, Center for High Performance Computing (CSIR)
13:20 – 13:35	Implementing the Africa-EU Roadmap on FNSSA: An Africa-EU Knowledge Management Communication System (KMCS)	Mr Stefan Haffner (DLR-PT)
13:35 – 15:15	Q&A	All
15:15 – 15:30	Tea break	
15:30 – 16:15	Facilitated discussion: Good practice methods and principles for knowledge sharing and research uptake	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying methodological/technical needs for a joint Africa-EU KMCS Role of science academies in establishing KMCS 	All
16:15 – 16:30	Way forward	
16:30 – 16:45	Vote of thanks and closure	

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Closed working session
Joint drafting of policy brief

