

EU CENTRES WORLD MEETING Networking Conference

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**ROOM SABATINI
HOTEL MELIA MADRID PRINCESA**



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Sunday 11 April 2010

10.00 - 17.00 EUCE US Annual meeting - Workshops' Rooms Sabatini I and Sabatini II

18.00 - 20.00 Welcome Cocktail - Room Retiro
Hotel Melia Madrid Princesa
Calle de la Princesa 27, tel. +34.91.541.82.00
Yasmina Sioud, Laura Fiore, DG External Relations

Monday 12 April 2010

8.30 Registration

9.00 Plenary session for all participants
Chair: *Ellis Mathews, Acting Head of Unit, DG External Relations*
Objectives of the Conference: expectations and outcomes

9.00 - 9.20 Introductory speech by *Francisco Fonseca Morillo, Head of the Representation of the European Commission in Spain*

9.20 - 10.20 General presentation of EU Centres:

- Two presentations from the 2 EUCE coordinators US and Canada (*Erica Edwards, Chapel Hill; Joan DeBardeleben, Carleton*)
- Two presentations from an EU Centre in Australia (*Pascaline Winand, Monash*) and from the coordinator in Australia (*Paul Pickering, ANU*)
- Two presentations from the new EU Centres in Singapore (*Lay Hwee Yeo, Singapore*) and Taiwan (*Hungdah Su, Taipeh*)

10.20 - 10.30 Coffee break - Room Retiro



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- 10.30 - 12.30** Chair: *Ellis Mathews, Acting Head of Unit, DG External Relations*
Review of Centres' main activities: Research
- Doctoral research (*Beverly Crawford, Berkeley*)
- Best practices in promoting scholarly research and research collaboration (Sharespeaker activity, database of speakers)
(*Jeremi Suri, Wisconsin; Vicki Birchfield, Georgia Tech*)
- Promoting doctoral students and their job prospects (*John Stephens, Chapel Hill*)
- Chair: *William Aitchison, DG Education and Culture*
Review of Centres' main activities: Curriculum development
- Curriculum development and EU certificate programmes
(*Steve Lund, Pittsburgh; Martin Holland, Canterbury; Hiromasa Kubo, Kobe*)
- Life Long Learning: Vocational Education and Training and Higher Education
(*Colin Fudge, RMIT*)
- 12.30 - 14.00** **Buffet Lunch** - Room Princesa
- 14.00 - 15.30** Chair: *Eva Horelova, DG External Relations*
Review of Centres' main activities: Outreach and Visibility
- Outreach activities/events (*Chae-deug Yi, Pusan; Christine Caly-Sanchez, Miami*)
& the High school teacher/undergraduates trip to Brussels (*Phil Shekleton, Seattle*)
- Visibility issues (website development, logos...) (*Gali Beeri & Chuck Olbert, Chapel Hill*)
- Collaboration with non-academic partners (*Isabelle Petit & Catherine Villemer, Montréal*)
- 15.30 - 16.00** **Coffee break** - Room Retiro
- 16.00 - 17.15** Chair: *Ellis Mathews, Acting Head of Unit, DG External Relations*
Presentations by EU Centres: The perception of the EU in their region seems the Lisbon Treaty
Presentations by a *North America team* (*Joe Jupille, Colorado and Denis Saint-Martin, Montreal*)
and an *Asia/Australasia team* (*Natalia Chaban & Martin Holland, Canterbury and Toshiro Tanaka, Tokyo*)
Questions and Answers, open discussion
- 17.15 - 17.30** **Evaluation of the EU Centres initiative**
Presentation by *Ben Ward* from The Evaluation Partnership (TEP)
Overview of the evaluation exercise; questions and answers
- 17.30 - 17.45** **Conclusions, wrap-up of the first day**



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19.00 Meeting in the hotel lobby for bus transfer to the Gala Dinner

19.30 - 23.30 Dinner - Palacio de Santa Cruz, Patio Elcano

Welcoming words from *Miguel Angel Navarro, Secretary General for the EU of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation*

The EU & the Rest of the World after Lisbon: Future of EU's Foreign Policy
Speaker: *Alvaro de Vasconcelos, Director of EU Institute for Security Studies (EUISS)*

Tuesday 13 April 2010

9.30 - 11.00 Chair: *Michel Martino, DG External Relations*
Co-chairs: *Lynne Hunter, EU Delegation in Australia; Rudie Filon, EU Delegation in Japan*
Management issues:
- Practical issues: monitoring, reporting, financial management
(Nataša Gruden-Alajbegovic, Michigan; Jeff Pennington, Berkeley); templates
- Life after EU financial support, best practices for finding funding resources, sustainability *(Joe Jupille, Colorado)*

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee break - Room Retiro

11.30 - 12.15 Chair: *Ellis Mathews, Acting Head of Unit, DG External Relations*
Future of the Programme:
Introduction by *Ellis Mathews, Acting Head of Unit, DG External Relations*
Next World Meeting: when and where
General discussion and end of plenary meeting

12.30 - 14.00 Buffet lunch- Room Princesa

14.00 - 17.30 Bilateral meetings, Helpdesk with the DG RELEX desk officers, financial officers and Delegations' officials - Workshops' Rooms Sabatini I and Sabatini II

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