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Date	Location	Events
APRIL		
17-18 April 2008	Ankara, Turkey	SECURITY Security research conference, Ankara A conference entitled 'Security research: technology solutions to enhance systems interoperability' will take place in Ankara, Turkey, on 17 to 18 April. The conference aims to bring together key stakeholders and policy makers from European institutions as well as industry associations to debate the challenges to be faced in security research and identify possible areas of co-operation. An important element of the event is the concluding matchmaking session, where potential project proposers will be able to discuss project ideas to foster collaboration in key areas of security research. The event, which is supported by the Slovenian Presidency of the EU, is organised by the Joint Research Centre's Institute for the Protection and Security of the Citizen (IPSC) together with the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBYTAK). For further information, please visit: http://ipsc.jrc.ec.europa.eu/event.php?event=93
21-25 April 2008	Hannover, Germany	BIOTECHNOLOGY Boost Biosystems Brokerage Event A conference entitled 'Security research: technology solutions to enhance systems interoperability' will take place in Ankara, Turkey, on 17 to 18 April. The partners of the 6th EU Framework Programme project Boost Biosystems together with the Steinbeis-Europa-Zentrum are organising a Boost Biosystems Brokerage Event for academic professionals and entrepreneurs to hold bilateral meetings at HANNOVER MESSE, Europe's leading biotechnology trade fair, which will take place in Hannover, Germany 21 - 25 April 2008. In addition to the Boost Biosystems Brokerage Event there is an opportunity to participate in the industry study tour on 23rd April 2008 in and around Hamburg. The study tour aims at increased integration and knowledge exchange about production processes in microsystems technologies and how they can be adopted to biosystem technologies as well as the demands of "bed side diagnosis" and analysis. For further information, please visit: http://www.scanbalt.org/sw12409.asp
23 April 2008	Granada, Spain	NUTRITION AND HEALTH Symposium on nutrition and health from pregnancy to adolescence The international symposium on healthy lifestyle and nutrition: from pregnancy to adolescence will be held in Granada, Spain on 23 April. The symposium, which is organised in the framework of the EU-funded EARNEST project, will analyse the latest results from EARNEST regarding children's nutrition and the appearance of different diseases in adulthood (cardiovascular problems, diabetes, obesity, allergy, bone health and neuromotor and behaviour results). The event includes sessions on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- early nutrition programming of obesity and insulin resistance;- early nutrition and mental development;- development of the immunological system and its relationship with children's nutrition;



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		<p>- children's nutrition: policies and communication.</p> <p>The conference is aimed at paediatricians, neonatologists, obstetricians, biochemists, physiologists, nutritionists, dieticians, pharmaceuticals, biologists, nurses, matrons, etc.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.enasymposium2008.org/</p>
24-25 April 2008	Osnabrück, Germany	<p>BIOTECHNOLOGY - PHARMACEUTICALS</p> <p>1st International Conference on Sustainable Pharmacy</p> <p>Conference on strategies and perspectives for Development, Use and Emission Management of Pharmaceuticals.</p> <p>The conference "Sustainable Pharmacy: Strategies and Perspectives for Development, Use and Emission Management of Pharmaceuticals" will for the first time convene the international state of research and discussion in Sustainable Pharmacy. Renowned experts from science and practice will share their knowledge in order to come from a problem perspective to a solution perspective. Speakers at the conference will be among others:</p> <p>The conference equally addresses to scientists from all relevant disciplines and practitioners from the fields of pharmaceutical industry, health care, water management and public authorities.</p> <p>Programme and Registration: http://www.start-project.de/conference2008 http://www.dbu.de/media/041207024752f128.doc</p>
MAY		
6-7 May 2008	Portoroz, Slovenia	<p>ICT - EHEALTH CONFERENCE 2008</p> <p>eHealth without frontiers</p> <p>The eHealth Conference 2008 will be held on 6-7 May 2008 se in Slovenia, which will include plenary sessions, parallel sessions and round tables.</p> <p>The objective of these two days is to clarify the reasons for the eHealth without frontiers, the conditions to realise it and the enlargement of its horizons.</p> <p>Main themes :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - eHealth without frontiers: Why ? - From reactive to proactive healthcare : twenty years of eHealth research and technology development - Chronic disease management: prospects for telemedicine - eHealth: future and latest developments in the legal framework <p>Main parallel sessions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - eHealth without frontiers : patients, health professionals, industry and healthcare authorities views - eHealth interoperability - eHealth: good proactive - Telemedicine: an analysis of developments <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.ehealth2008.si/index.php?id=5&mid=1</p>
7-9 May 2008	Windhoek, Namibia	<p>ICT – RESEARCH COOPERATION WITH AFRICA</p> <p>IST-Africa conference and exhibition</p> <p>The 2008 IST (information society technologies)-Africa conference and exhibition will</p>



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		<p>take place in Windhoek, Namibia, from 7 to 9 May 2008.</p> <p>The event, which is part of the EU-funded IST-Africa initiative, is the third in a series of annual conferences which bring together delegates from commercial, government and research organisations across Africa and Europe. The goal is to bridge the digital divide by sharing knowledge, experience, lessons learnt and good practice.</p> <p>IST-Africa 2008 will focus on applied ICT (information communications technologies) research topics addressing major societal and economic challenges. The programme combines strategic keynote presentations, technical and policy papers, case studies, workshops, an exhibition and social activities.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.ist-africa.org/Conference2008/</p>
14-16 May 2008	Portorož, Slovenia	<p>ENVIRONMENT – CLIMATE CHANGE</p> <p>Bridging the Gap: Responding to Environmental Change – from Words to Deeds, 14–16 May 2008, Portorož, Slovenia</p> <p>This Conference is the fourth in a series started 10 years ago. The previous three Bridging the Gap events were held in London (1998), Stockholm (2001) and in Dublin (2004). It is organised by the Environment Agency of Republic of Slovenia in cooperation with the European Commission (DG Environment, DG Research and the Joint Research centre), the European Environment Agency and environment protection agencies.</p> <p>The three headline issues of the Conference (need for urgent action, environment in the heart of economic decision making and communication between scientists, policy-makers, politicians and civil society) will be addressed through five specific themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Information gathering and sharing - Energy and the environment - Sustainable consumption and production - Adaptation to climate change - Biodiversity and ecosystem services <p>The main objective of the Conference is to identify gaps in policy, research and capacities of society in responding to emerging issues and uncertainties.</p> <p>For further information, please visit : http://www.bridgingthegap.si/</p>
15 May 2008	Paris, France	<p>FP7 - COOPERATION / THEMATIC: HEALTH AND FOOD</p> <p>Journée d'information 7e PCRD 'Santé et Sciences de la vie' à Paris</p> <p>Les Points de Contact Nationaux français des Thèmes 1 "Santé" et 2 "Alimentation, Agriculture & Pêche, Biotechnologie" du 7ème PCRD organisent une journée d'information à destination de la communauté scientifique sur l'actualité des appels à projets du 7ème PCRD autour du domaine de la santé et des sciences de la vie, avec la participation de représentants de haut niveau de la Commission européenne (DG Recherche).</p> <p>L'objectif de cette journée est d'informer la communauté scientifique sur les thèmes de recherche et les financements proposés dans le cadre des prochains appels à propositions de ces deux priorités thématiques, et de permettre à chaque équipe de s'y préparer au mieux.</p> <p>Cette journée sera également l'occasion d'un point d'information, sur les actions de coopération internationale (INCO) et les opportunités qu'offrent les programmes Idées (ERC) et Ressources Humaines (Marie Curie), par des représentants des PCN concernés.</p>



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21-23 May 2008	Valencia, Spain	<p>Pour en savoir plus sur le programme et l'inscription : http://www.eurosfaire.prd.fr/news/consulter.php?id=1841</p> <p>HEALTH - ICT pHealth International Workshop</p> <p>The 5th edition of the International Workshop on Wearable, Micro and Nano Technologies for the Personalised Health, pHealth 2008 will take place May 21-23 2008, in the Conference Centre of the Polytechnic University of Valencia, in Valencia, Spain.</p> <p>pHealth Workshop is a forum of discussion, networking and experiences exchange about the state of the art and future challenges on nano and micro technologies, wearable and implantable sensors and ICT into personal health management systems.</p> <p>Key topics include advanced research in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Micro and nano sensors. - Wearable and implantable systems. - Technological trends in ICT solutions for patient self-management. - Health and life management and personalised interactions. - Business vision and experiences, and implementation viability. <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.phealth2008.com/overview/Default.aspx</p>
27-30 May 2008	Paris, France	<p>FOOD AND HEALTH Fruit and Vegetable Summit</p> <p>The first Fruit and Vegetable Summit, organised by EGEA (the International Conference of the Health Benefits of Fruit and Vegetables), and IFAVA (the International Fruit and Vegetable Alliance), to be held in Paris on May 27th – 30th, 2008, with the co-sponsoring of the WHO (the World Health Organization), the participation of the European Commission and the support of the French Ministry of Agriculture and the Permanent Delegation of the French Republic to UNESCO.</p> <p>The Fruit and Vegetable Summit 2008 will focus on a global, multisectoral approach to increasing fruit and vegetable consumption. For many years, there have been parallel efforts across sectors to increase fruit and vegetable consumption, with research and education campaigns by the public health and scientific communities and nongovernmental organizations on the one hand, and marketing campaigns by the fruit and vegetable industry on the other.</p> <p>Building upon the strength of the EGEA and IFAVA conferences and symposiums, this joint international conference, will gather key stakeholders (leading international expert from health, food, education, management, environment, politics and economics) to capitalize on cross-sectoral expertise to find solutions to this important issue.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.fruitandvegsummit.com/introduction.php?lang=en</p>
28-30 May 2008	Accra, Ghana	<p>ICT – CONFERENCE ON ICT FOR DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING eLearning Africa 2008 Conference</p> <p>eLearning Africa has established itself as the largest and most comprehensive capacity-development event for technology-enhanced education and training on the Continent. With more than 240 speakers from 51 countries, 4 plenary sessions, 66 sessions in 11 parallel conference strands, 48 demonstrations and best practice examples, 13 workshops and a number of exciting new features, the event will again be a landmark in pan-African capacity-building for ICT-enhanced education and training.</p>



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		<p>eLearning Africa addresses the whole of Africa. A rotating event hosted by a different African government every year, it supports and reinforces the growing pan-African eLearning community. Through its Open Call for Papers, resulting in the engagement of a widely distributed international community of experts, industry partnerships, governments, initiatives on the ground, and the development partner community, a solid capacity-development framework has been established.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.elearning-africa.com/</p>
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<p>2-6 June 2008</p>	<p>Valencia, Spain</p>	<p>ENERGY - BIOMASS</p> <p>EC Conference "GREEN WEEK 2008 - Only one Earth-Don't waste it!"</p> <p>The use of biomass in combination with other forms of renewable energies has gained a new dimension. It is universal in its use, ranging from biofuel for mobile applications to heat and electricity in the stationary sector.</p> <p>Industry is working on many promising technologies for converting biomass into different forms. Pilot plants for gasification, gas cleaning and feed-in into pipelines for natural gas all serve to demonstrate its feasibility.</p> <p>On the other hand, there is still much to be done to increase overall economics, efficiency and reliability and to optimally integrate biomass into current and future supply structures, taking into account fully developed liberalised energy and energy services markets. Special care is also needed to ensure the sustainability of biomass production, especially in the context of international trading, where certification procedures have to be developed and introduced in the near future. Competition in land-use for food production will also have to be handled with great care, especially its consequences for developing countries.</p> <p>The international conference is aimed at stimulating public discussion on all these items and promoting the awareness of the biomass community. Scientists, industry, suppliers, funding bodies and decision-makers are invited to meet the more than 1,500 expected attendees from 80 countries.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.conference-biomass.com/index.htm</p>
<p>3-6 June 2008</p>	<p>Brussels, Belgium</p>	<p>ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>16th European Biomass Conference & Exhibition</p> <p>The European Commission is organising this annual event that will take place the week of the World Environment Day.</p> <p>Green Week 2008 will take a closer look at the sustainable use of natural resources, focusing on waste management, sustainable consumption and production.</p> <p>The event will provide a unique opportunity for debate, exchanges of experience and best practice among non-governmental organisations, businesses, various levels of government and the public.</p> <p>Registration for the event begins in April 2008 and will remain open until the start of the Conference.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/greenweek/home.html</p>



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9-12 June 2008	Edinburgh, UK	<p>ANIMAL GEOMICS</p> <p>Animal Disease Genomics: Opportunities and Applications</p> <p>The EU-funded project EADGENE invites you to their annual meeting on Animal Genomics Research from 9th - 12th June 2008 in Edinburgh, UK. This 4-day event will focus on the latest genetics and genomics research in the field of farm animal health, through a 2-day conference which will be preceded and followed by a series of satellite workshops and meetings. The conference features a series of presentations by keynote speakers and leading specialists in their fields which will update delegates on the latest animal genomics research. It also includes a joint session with the Med-Vet-Net Network of Excellence.</p> <p>The following themes will be discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Developments in Animal Genomics - EADGENE Progress in Animal Genomics - Interaction with Med-Vet-Net - EADGENE Applications - EADGENE Animal Trait Ontology Initiative(Workshop) <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.eadgene.info/</p>
15-18 June 2008	Bled, Slovenia	<p>ICT</p> <p>eCollaboration: Overcoming Boundaries Through Multi-Channel interaction</p> <p>This conference attracts speakers and delegates from business, government, information technology providers and universities and is the major venue for researchers working in all aspects of "e". There will be a variety of keynote speakers from industry, government and academy. The conference venue is the alpine village of Bled, 30 km south of the Austrian border - one of the most beautiful spots imaginable. Expect to learn and play and come away feeling that you have achieved more than you normally would at any conference.</p> <p>In June 2007, 250 delegates from 34 countries attended the Bled eConference. The conference has a wide appeal, offering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A fully-refereed Research Track, devoted to researchers in all aspects of "e"; - A Business and Government Panel Track which attracts eminent business and government leaders from Europe, the Americas and Asia-Pacific; - Business, Government and Academic Meetings offering unparalleled opportunities to think and share with colleagues from around the world. <p>For further information, please visit: http://bledconference.org/Home/</p>
18-20 June 2008	Modena, Italy	<p>ORGANIC AGRICULTURE</p> <p>'Cultivating the Future based on Science'</p> <p>The Second Scientific Conference of the International Society of Organic Agriculture Research (ISOFAR) will be carried out in the frame of the 16th IFOAM World Congress, which will include further events on Organic Agriculture (http://www.ifoam.org).</p> <p>The ISOFAR conference will consist of oral presentations, posters and workshops, including papers from the EU-project 'Quality Low Input Food', the Organic Fruit Conference and the IFOAM work group 'Agrobiomediterraneo'. Special attention will be paid to cross- disciplinary themes such as interactions between production and the environment or between farming practices and product quality. Contributions to the ISOFAR conference will be peer- reviewed.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.isofar.org/modena2008/programme.html</p>



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22-26 June 2008	Toulon, France	<p>AGRICULTURE</p> <p>4th EPSO CONFERENCE 2008 "Plants for life"</p> <p>The European Plant Science Organisation organises the "Plants for life" conference. It will gather researchers from several countries on the following themes :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crop sciences - Understanding, protect and use la biodiversity - The challenges for future agriculture - Improve the quantity and quality of production - The Agriculture with minimum intrants - The new products from plants <p>Representatives from the European Commission - DG Research - Dir. E – will attend the conference.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.epsoweb.org/catalog/conf2008.htm</p> <p>For the programme of the conference: http://www.epsoweb.org/catalog/conf2008/4CF_Programme_web.pdf</p>
26-27 June 2008	Cape Town, South Africa	<p>ICT</p> <p>3rd International Conference on e-Learning</p> <p>The International Conference on e-Learning (ICEL-2008) invites researchers, practitioners and academics to present their research findings, work in progress, case studies and conceptual advances in areas of work where education and technology intersect. The conference brings together varied groups of people with different perspectives, experiences and knowledge in one location. It aims to help practitioners find ways of putting research into practice and researchers to gain an understanding of real-world problems, needs and aspirations.</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.academic-conferences.org/icel/icel2008/icel08-home.htm</p>
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1-4 July 2008	Salzburg, Austria	<p>GEOINFORMATICS</p> <p>Geoinformatics Forum Salzburg</p> <p>The Salzburg University Centre for Geoinformatics is offering an annual forum to the worldwide geoinformatics community, bringing together English-speaking researchers and practitioners across disciplines and industries. Simultaneously, the GI_Forum connects participants into a well established co-located regional symposium - Applied Geoinformatics (AGIT) - sharing the state-of-the art AGIT-EXPO exhibit..</p> <p>For further information, please visit: http://www.gi-forum.org/</p>
15-18 July 2008	Utrecht, Netherlands	<p>INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITIES 13TH GENERAL CONFERENCE</p> <p>Higher Education and Research Addressing Local and Global Needs</p> <p>The Conference will be held in July 2008 and hosted by Utrecht University, in Utrecht, the Netherlands.</p> <p>Participate in the thematic conference: Come and explore whether and how today and tomorrow's universities respond to the expectations of society. Higher Education and Research Addressing Local and Global Needs, the theme of the 13th General Conference, echoes the very reasons that led to the creation of the Association 60 years ago, namely the responsibilities of higher education and research institutions to serve the world around them</p>



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For further information, please visit:

<http://www.unesco.org/iau/conferences/Utrecht/index.html>

AUGUST, SEPTEMBER...

25-27
August 2008 Paphos,
Cyprus

ICT

17th International Conference on Information Systems Development

The Seventeenth International Conference on Information Systems Development (ISD2008) will be hosted by the University of Cyprus. The theme of the conference is "Towards a Service-Provision Society". The conference features a number of tracks covering a wide spectrum of topics in the area of Information Systems Development.

For further information, please visit:

<http://isd2008.cs.ucy.ac.cy/index.html>

1-4
September 2008 Montpellier,
France

ENVIRONMENT

XIII World Water Congress " Global Changes and Water Resources

The objective of the XIIIth World Water Congress is to enhance the world's knowledge and raise global consciousness of the impact of global changes on water resources. The Congress contributes to the study of our planet's water resources by bringing together wide-interest participation, conferences and communications. This Congress is an important occasion on a global scale for open dialogue between public and private partners, between users and decision makers and between developing, emerging and developed countries. To achieve these objectives, the Congress will organize numerous debates, presentations and exhibitions among key water stakeholders.

The three major fields embraced at the Conference are:

- The intrinsic natural variability
- The impact of human societies
- Current climate change

The Conference's programme, including additional details about the addressed topics, is available at:

<http://wwc2008.msem.univ-montp2.fr/>

25-26
September 2008 Balotesti,
Romania

AGRICULTURE

Symposium for animal biology and nutrition

The National Research-Development Institute of Biology and Animal Nutrition (I.B.N.A. Balotesti) organises the 7th International Symposium of Animal Biology and Nutrition.

The event gathers experts and scientist in biology and animal nutrition from all over the world, presenting their most recent research and current scientific trends.

Symposium topics:

- Safety and quality of feeds and animal products, according to the food industry and consumers demands
- Increase of animal farm competitiveness through nutrition
- Effects of nutrition on farm animal health
- Reducing negative effects of animal husbandry on the environment,
- Increase of animal farm competitiveness through genetics, breeding and biotechnologies
- Biodiversity and conservation of animal genetic resources

For further information, please visit:

<http://www.ibna.ro/symposium-en.html>