

Updated Program
(14/11/06; 10:15 am)

Tuesday, 14 November 2006 (Bibliotheca Alexandrina)		
	Working Group 1 (BA Main Building- Floating Room- Third Floor)	Working Group 2 (BA Main Building- Floating Room- Fourth Floor)
10:00-12:00	<p>Session One: Science, technology, and society: The role of policy(1)</p> <p>Chair: Hassan Ibrahim, Distinguished, Tyser Teaching Fellow, Decision and Information Technologies, Robert H. Smith School of Business, University of Maryland (USA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ahmad Mansour Mansour, Lecturer, Genetic department , Agricultural Genetic engineering branch, Faculty of Agriculture, Zagazig University (Egypt) " <i>The problems of scientific research in the Arab world between truth and myth</i>" ▪ Mohamed El-Sharkawi, Professor of Electrical Engineering, Computational Intelligence Research Laboratory, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Washington (USA) " <i>Research for sustainable Economic Development, not Just for Prestige</i>" ▪ Eid Battah Al-Duwaihis, Head of Planning Office, Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (Kuwait) " <i>Proposals on the issues and problems of scientific research in the Arab world</i>" <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Session One: Science, technology, and society: The role of policy(2)</p> <p>Chair: Venice Kamel Gouda, Former Egyptian Minister of Scientific Research (Egypt)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Saad S.M. Hassan, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University (Egypt) " <i>The Status and Prospective of Science and Technology in the Arab Countries</i>" ▪ Yehia Halim Zaki, Head of Academic and Cultural Sector, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt) " <i>Scientific Research in Egypt</i> " ▪ M. Ashraf El-Bayoumi, Professor of Biophysics and Chemistry, Alexandria University. (USA) " <i>Politics of Science in the age of Globalization</i> " <p>Discussion</p>
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12:00-13:30	Lunch	

<p>13:30-15:30</p> <p>Day 1</p>	<p>Session Two: Expanding human resources</p> <p>Chair: Salah Soliman, <i>Special Advisor to the Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Riyad Hamzah, <i>Prof. Biotechnology, Arabian Gulf University (Bahrain)</i> "Enhancing Science publishing in Arab world – Case study" ▪ Rafik Nakhla, <i>Director, Human Resources Department, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt)</i> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Session Two: Engaging the public and private sectors</p> <p>Chair: Yehia Halim Zaki, <i>Head of Academic and Cultural Sector, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Naji Muhammad Al-Mutairi, <i>Head of Research Department, The Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFA) (Kuwait)</i> "Kuwait Foundation for Scientific Progress-A model for the Arab private sector participation in scientific research and development" ▪ Sohair Wastawy, <i>Chief Librarian, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt)</i> "The Role of Libraries in R&D in Developing Countries" <p>Discussion</p>
<p>15:30-16:00</p>	<p>Break</p>	
<p>16:00-18:00</p> <p>Day 1</p>	<p>Session Three: Creating world-class research institutions</p> <p>Chair: Magdy Madkour, <i>Arid Lands Agricultural Research Institute (ALARI)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bassem El Menshawi, <i>Regional Coordinator for Northern Africa, NEPAD Science and Technology Forum (Egypt)</i> "Towards an Integrated Research Policy in the Area of Drug Discovery in the Arab Countries" ▪ Osman Shinaishin, <i>Senior Program Manager, Office of International Science & Engineering, National Science Foundation (USA)</i> "Comments on a Number of Successful Institutions in Developing Countries" ▪ Mamoun Muhammed, <i>Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, KTH (Royal Institute of Technology) (Sweden)</i> "Concerted Efforts: The Establishment of Thematic Centers of Excellence" <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Session Three: Financing mechanisms for research and development in science and technology</p> <p>Chair: Ibrahim Badran, <i>Egyptian Former Minister of Health and Professor of Surgery (Egypt)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adel El Beltagy, <i>Chair, the Global Forum on Agricultural Research (GFAR)</i> "The Perils of Science and Technology Policy: Lessons Learned" ▪ Adnan Shihab-Eldin, <i>Former Acting Secretary General of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) (Austria)</i> "The financial resources and mechanisms for Research & Development in the Arab countries" ▪ Riad Abdel Latif Bayoumi, <i>Professor and Head of Clinical Biochemistry, the College of Medicine, Sultan Qaboos University (Oman)</i> "Research Assessment Exercise" <p>Discussion</p>
<p>18:00-19:00</p>	<p>Visiting the VISTA</p>	
<p>19:00</p>	<p>Departure</p>	
<p>20:00</p>	<p>Dinner (Le Prince-Montazah Gardens)</p>	

Wednesday 15 November 2006 (Second Floor Meeting Room-BACC)	
9:30-11:00	<p>Session One: Visiting Presentations</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> AbdelRazek Kandeil, Professor, Arab Academy for Science and Technology and Maritime Transport (Egypt)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yves QUÉRÉ, Co-Chairman, InterAcademy Panel on International Issues (France) "Developing the capacities of Academies of Sciences" ▪ Robert Kriger, Head of Systems, Policy & strategy unit, NRF (South Africa) "The development of South Africa's S&T and Innovation policies" ▪ Huanming Yang, Institute of Genetics, Chinese Academy of Sciences (China) "Creating World-Class Research Institutions in the Developing Countries"
Day 2	Discussion
11:00-11:30	Break
11:30-13:00	<p>Session Two: Support mechanisms for stimulating and activating scientific research in the Arab countries</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Adel El Beltagy, Chair, the Global Forum on Agricultural Research(GFAR) (Egypt)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AbdelNabi Fardous, Director General, the National Center for Agricultural Research and Technology Transfer (NCARTT) (Jordan) "Suggestions on support mechanisms for stimulating and activating scientific research in the Arab countries" ▪ Mohamed El-Sharkawi, Professor of Electrical Engineering, Computational Intelligence Research Laboratory, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Washington (USA) "The five recommendations to initiate research in the middle east" ▪ Mohamed El-Faham, Director, Center for Special Studies & Programs (CSSP), Bibliotheca Alexandrina(Egypt)" Networks of International Collaboration: Keys to Research Advancement"
Day 2	Discussion
13:00-14:30	Lunch
14:30-15:30	<p>Session Three: Reporting the Conference Sessions</p> <p><u>Rapporteur:</u> Rafik Nakhla, Director, Human Resources Department, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt)</p>
Day 2	
15:30-16:00	Break
16:00-18:00	<p>Closing Session – Recommendations and Suggestions</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Ismail Serageldin, Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hany Helal, Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research (Egypt) ▪ Hassan Nadir, President, Alexandria University (Egypt) ▪ Ismail Serageldin, Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egypt)
Day 2	
18:30-20:00	Bibliotheca Alexandrina Tour
20:00-22:30	Departure and Dinner (Syrian Club-Downtown)

