

Agenda

(Location: Bibliotheca Alexandrina)

Day One - SUNDAY, January 15, 2006

15:00 – 16:30		Tour of the Bibliotheca Alexandrina
17:00 – 17:30		Registration (F3)
17:30 – 18:00		ICT Projects Presentation (Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)
19:00 – 21:30		Gala Dinner (El Farouk Restaurant, Salamlek Hotel, Montazah Gardens)

Day Two - MONDAY, January 16, 2006

8:30 – 9:30		Registration and Coffee
9:30 – 10:00		Opening Session:
		Dr. Ismail Serageldin , Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina
		Dr. Fawzy El Rafaie , President, Egyptian Academy of Scientific Research & Technology
		Mr. Justin Siberell , Director, Alexandria American Center, & Representing the American Ambassador of Egypt
		Dr. Stephen Griffin , Program Director, Computer & Information Science & Engineering, National Science Foundation
		Dr. Joyce Ray , Associate Deputy Director for Library Services, Institute of Museum & Library Services
		(Middle Hall , Conference Center)
10:00 – 10:50		H. E. Dr. Ahmed Darwish , Minister, Ministry of State for Administrative Development, Egypt
		Evolution of the Telecomm Infrastructure in Egypt: Enabling Digital Content, Dr. Amr Badawy , Senior Advisor to the Minister, Ministry of Communication & Information Technology, Egypt
		(Middle Hall , Conference Center)
10:50 – 11:15		Coffee Break
11:15 - 12:45		Plenary Session: Open to Public Chair: Dr. Hisham El Sherif , Chairman, IT Ventures
		Opening Plenary Presentation, Dr. John Gage , Chief Researcher & Vice President of the Science Office, Sun Microsystems
		Keynote Speech, Dr. Ismail Serageldin , Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina
		(Middle Hall , Conference Center)
12:45 – 13:45		Lunch Break
13:45 – 14:30		Egyptian Cultural Heritage in the Digital Age,

	<p>Dr. Fathi Saleh, Director of CultNat Center, Bibliotheca Alexandrina</p> <p>Digital Library Projects of Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Dr. Noha Adly, Director, ISIS & Information & Communication Technology Departments</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>
14:30 – 15:30	<p>The Digital Library of the Middle East – Contents and Users</p> <p>Chair & Moderator: Dr. Sohair Wastawy, Head of Library Sector, Bibliotheca Alexandrina</p> <p>Electronic Cultural Atlas, Dr. Lewis R. Lancaster, Professor, University of California Berkeley, & President, University of the West</p> <p>A Digital Library of Cuneiform Tablets, Dr. Robert Englund, Professor of Assyriology & Sumerology , University of California, Los Angeles</p> <p>Dr. Sohair Wastawy, Head of Library Sector, Bibliotheca Alexandrina</p> <p>Arabic E-Content Initiatives, Dr. Hoda Baraka, Senior Advisor to the Minister, Ministry of Communication & Information Technology, Egypt</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>
15:30 – 16:00	<p>Discussion</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>
16:00 – 16:30	<p>Coffee Break</p>
16:30 – 17:15	<p>Small Group Discussions of Vision, Key Aspects of a Mission Statement</p> <p>(F3 Halls)</p>
17:15 – 18:00	<p>Reports back to main group</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>
18:00 – 18:30	<p>Adjourn until reception</p>
18:30 – 20:00	<p>Reception (American Center)</p>
20:00 – 22:00	<p>Dinner (Fish Market)</p>

Day Three - TUESDAY, January 17, 2006

8:30 – 9:00		Coffee		
9:00 – 10:00		<p>The Digital Library of the Middle East</p> <p>The OAI Protocol for Metadata and Harvesting: Overview,</p> <p>Dr. Donald Waters, Program Officer for Scholarly Communications, Mellon Foundation</p> <p>OAI in Practice,</p> <p>Mr. Tim Cole, Mathematics Librarian & Professor of Library Administration, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign</p> <p>Extending the OAI Protocol to Digital Assets,</p> <p>Mr. Kenneth Hamma, Executive Director of Digital Policy, J. Paul Getty Trust</p>		
		(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)		
10:00 – 10:30		Discussion		
		(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)		
10:30 – 11:00		Coffee Break		
11:00 – 12:00		<p>Small Group Discussions</p> <p>Work Product: A set of Key issues or goals</p>		
		(F3 Halls)		
	<p>Building a Shared Vision, Policies and Promoting Participation</p>	<p>Content, Collections and Users</p>	<p>Network Infrastructure</p>	<p>Interoperability and Digital Library Standards</p>
12:00 – 13:00		Reports Back and Feedback from Full Group		
		(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)		
13:00 – 14:00		Lunch Break		
14:00 – 15:30		<p>Small Group Discussions Continue</p> <p>Work Product: A set of action items</p>		
		(F3 Halls)		
15:30 – 16:00		Reports back to main group		
		(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)		
16:00 – 17:00		<p>Refinement of Mission Statement and Key Issues or Goals</p>		
		(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)		
17:00 – 17:30		Wrap-up and Next Steps		
		(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)		
17:30 – 18:00		Meeting Adjourned		