

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	<p>Opening Session:</p> <p>Dr. Ismail Serageldin, Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina Dr. Fawzy El Rifaie, 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</p> <p>(Middle Hall , Conference Center)</p>
10:00 – 10:50	<p>H. E. Dr. Ahmed Darwish, Minister, Ministry of State for Administrative Development, Egypt</p> <p>Evolution of the Telecomm Infrastructure in Egypt: Enabling Digital Content, Dr. Amr Badawy, Senior Advisor to the Minister, Ministry of Communication & Information Technology, Egypt</p> <p>(Middle Hall , Conference Center)</p>
10:50 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 - 12:45	<p>Plenary Session: Open to Public Chair: Dr. Hisham El Sherif, Chairman, IT Ventures</p> <p>Opening Plenary Presentation, Dr. John Gage, Chief Researcher & Vice President of the Science Office, Sun Microsystems</p> <p>Keynote Speech, Dr. Ismail Serageldin, Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina</p> <p>(Middle Hall , Conference Center)</p>
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 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	Coffee Break
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	Adjourn until reception
18:30 – 20:00	Reception (American Center)
20:00 – 22:00	Dinner (Fish Market)

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, Dr. Donald Waters, Program Officer for Scholarly Communications, Mellon Foundation</p> <p>OAI in Practice, Mr. Tim Cole, Mathematics Librarian & Professor of Library Administration, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign</p> <p>Extending the OAI Protocol to Digital Assets, Mr. Kenneth Hamma, Executive Director of Digital Policy, J. Paul Getty Trust</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>			
10:00 – 10:30	<p>Discussion</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium,F3)</p>			
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break			
11:00 – 12:00	<p align="center">Small Group Discussions</p> <p align="center">Work Product: A set of Key issues or goals</p> <p align="center">(F3 Halls)</p>			
	<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	<p>Reports Back and Feedback from Full Group</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>			
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> <p>(F3 Halls)</p>			
15:30 – 16:00	<p>Reports back to main group</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>			
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Refinement of Mission Statement and Key Issues or Goals</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>			
17:00 – 17:30	<p>Wrap-up and Next Steps</p> <p>(Gad Rausing Auditorium, F3)</p>			
17:30 – 18:00	Meeting Adjourned			