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February 23rd - 24th 2010

Program Overview:

Day 1 – Tuesday 23/2/2010

| TIME | TOPIC | RESPONSIBLE PARTNER |
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| 09:00 | Welcome and meeting arrangements | HCT / ECSA |
| 09:30 | Opening Address H.E. Sheikh Nahayan Mabarak Al Nahayan Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research Chancellor, Higher Colleges of Technology | |
| | European Commission Perspective: Project Introduction, Robert Burmanjer - Head of Unit / EC | |
| | Coffee break | |
| 09:50 | European Commission opening: The International Dimension of FP7 | Robert Burmanjer - Head of Unit, EC |
| | Short project overview: The activities of the first year Project Terminology – Workplan structure | ECSA |
| 10:30 | Coffee break | |

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| 11:00 | Partners' presentations on project contribution. | All Partners |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | Lunch break | |
| 15:00 | Bi-regional S&T cooperation networks in the FP7 Capacities Programme | Tarik Meziani, Project Officer, EC |
| 15:45 | External Advisory Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - scope - composition - meetings | ECSA |
| 16:00 | Coffee break | |
| 16:20 | Presentation of case studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Climate change opportunities - Agrofood Cluster - Arabic Knowledge @ Wharton - Other business - Brainstorming session, closing of day | UNIFE, ECSA, Dr. Amit Raffi (HCT) All Partners |

Day 2 – Wednesday 24/2/2010

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| 09:00 | WP1 – Enhancing and promotion of bi-regional S&T policy dialogue and collaboration | HJ |
| 09:45 | WP2 - Identification of joint research priorities, encouragement of S&T collaboration, strengthening the participation of GCC countries in FP7 | UNIFE |
| 10:30 | Coffee break | |
| 11:00 | WP3 - Developing, supporting and raising the capacity of NCPs in the GCC countries | FORTH |
| 11:45 | WP4 - Roadmap and sustainability of INCONET-GCC | ECSA |
| 12:30 | WP5 - Communication, dissemination activities and conferences | HCT |
| 13:15 | Lunch break | |

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Day 2 – Wednesday 24/2/2010 *(continued)*

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| 14:15 | WP6 – Project Management, Quality Management Scheme, Administrative & Financial Issues | ECSA |
| 14:45 | Administrative and Financial Management | Maartje Wouters Administrative Officer EC |
| 15:15 | Coffee break | |
| 15:30 – 16:40 | Brainstorming Session - Technical Issues | ECSA |
| 15:30 – 16:40 | Parallel session: FP7 Administrative Issues will be organized and coordinated by EC and ECSA. Training Session for FP7 processes and the INCONET-GCC specific administrative procedures. | Maartje Wouters Administrative Officer EC |
| 16:40 | Action list discussion and open issues | ECSA |
| | Next meeting schedule | ECSA |
| 17:00 | Closing Remarks | ECSA |

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