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Conference on Innovation for Poverty Alleviation

Presenting the European Union's development cooperation programme on
"Innovation for Poverty Alleviation" with South Africa

Celebrating the role of partnership in science and technology between South
Africa and the European Union as instrument for development and growth

Side event to the 2012 South Africa – European Union Summit

Tuesday 18 September 2012

Rembrandt Hall, Sheraton Brussels Hotel, Place Rogier 3, Brussels 1210
(Metro: Rogier)

Agenda

Programme Director: **Mr Mmboneni Muofhe**, Chief Director: International Resources, South
African Department of Science and Technology (DST)

Time	Item	Speakers
	<i>Registration and Refreshments</i>	
09:45	Welcome and Opening	Programme Director: Mr Mmboneni Muofhe; Mr Paul Young , Head of Development Cooperation at the Delegation of the European Union in South Africa
10:00	Video presentation of the societal impact of the EU development cooperation programme with the South African Department of Science and Technology (DST) on "Innovation for Poverty Alleviation"	Mr Victor Senna , Director responsible for Innovation for Poverty Alleviation Programme: DST
10:15	Key achievements of the DST in harnessing innovation for poverty alleviation in South Africa and the role DST plays in informing policy on poverty alleviation	Mr Imraan Patel , Deputy Director-General: DST
11:00	<i>Break and refreshments</i>	
	Innovation for Poverty Alleviation cooperation programme success stories	



11:30	Information and Communication Technology as tool for development and poverty reduction in South Africa: Wireless Mesh Network Project	Mr Kobus Roux , CSIR Meraka
	How partnership with the private sector has resulted in the creation of sustainable community based enterprises	Ms Chrisma Bredenkamp , Sasol Chemcity
	Success with technology transfer activities within the context of enterprise development that generate social and economic development opportunities	Ms Lizande Kellerman , CSIR: Enterprise Creation for Development
13:00	<i>Lunch and Exhibition of South Africa – EU development cooperation on “Innovation for Poverty Alleviation”</i>	
14:30	The multilateral dimension: South Africa-EU cooperation in the Africa, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Science and Technology Programme	Mr Giuseppe Balducci , Programme Manager: ACP S&T Programme, European Commission’s Directorate-General for Development
15:00	Special address: Harnessing innovation for growth and development in South Africa	Her Excellency, Minister Naledi Pandor , Minister of Science and Technology of the Republic of South Africa
15:15	Panel discussion on how to best harness science and technology as instrument for poverty alleviation under the South Africa – EU Strategic Partnership as well as the Joint Africa-EU Strategy	Chaired by Mr Richard Young with the participation of: Dr Phil Mjwara , Director-General: DST; Dr Zoran Stancic : Deputy Director-General: European Commission’s Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology; Dr Erika Kraemer-Mbula , Institute for Economic Research on Innovation
16:00	Message by a Member of the European Parliament (MEP)	Ms Judith Sargentini MEP , Vice Chair of the Parliament’s Delegation for Relations with South Africa
	Presidential Session	Programme Director: Dr Mjwara , Introductions by Minister Pandor
16:15	Special address by the European Commissioner for Development: Innovation for development in EU-South Africa cooperation - past, present, and future	Commissioner Andris Piebalgs , European Commissioner for Development
16:30	Special keynote closing address	His Excellency, President Jacob G Zuma , President of the Republic of South Africa
17:00	End of conference and Vote of thanks	Dr Mjwara