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1. Introduction

This deliverable is a compilation of the Newsletters issued during the first period of the PRO-IDEAL PLUS project. It corresponds to the *task 6.3.1. Offline activities* described in DoW:

Newsletters: Whereas usually sent per e-mail, they must be considered a hybrid between off-line and on-line, as they are not fully dependant on the Internet. They are useful tools when a news value can be communicated, e.g. event dates, new results from ICT Fora etc.

It is envisaged to have at least 6 Newsletters sent out during the project phase.

Newsletters are a valid means to diffuse relevant information about activities, events and outcomes of the project. PRO-IDEAL PLUS covers this dissemination medium at three levels:

- **PRO-IDEAL PLUS news** in the partners' newsletters.
- **PRO-IDEAL News:** a newsletter specially designed for ICT key stakeholders and policy makers.
- **PRO-IDEAL Blog:** an online blog available through the PRO-IDEAL platform at <http://pro-ideal-project.blogspot.com/>, with a chronologically organized repository including all news uploaded by the partners. It also includes information about past and future events, open calls for FP7-ICT, and relevant information related to the core activities of PRO-IDEAL and PRO-IDEAL PLUS projects.

For this period, three editions of *EMF FLASH* and five editions of *Clic* (Boletín de la Cámara de Tecnología de Información y Comunicación - CAMTIC) Newsletters were created and disseminated. Also, three editions of PRO-IDEAL News were emailed on a quarterly basis:


- **EMFlash Newsletter: April 28, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - ICT 2010 Event conference, 27-29 September 2010, Brussels
 - PRO-IDEAL PLUS: A commitment to cooperation in ICT between Europe and Latin America
- **EMFlash Newsletter: September 07, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - Participate in the "Project Café" organised by EULARINET, together with PRO-IDEAL PLUS, FIRST and FORESTA
 - Visit us and our Latin American delegations at the ICT Conference / EU-LAC ICT Gateway stand
- **EMFlash Newsletter: October 12, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - EU-Latin American ICT Gateway – Workshop on EU-LA cooperation possibilities
- **Clic Newsletter: January 14, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - PRO-IDEAL PLUS apuesta por la cooperación en TIC entre Europa y América Latina
- **Clic Newsletter: January 29, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - CAMTIC participa en el desarrollo del Proyecto PRO-IDEAL PLUS

- **Clic Newsletter: February 02, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - Se acerca el primer taller de cooperación TIC Europa - Costa Rica
- **Clic Newsletter: February 05, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - Sector TIC costarricense se beneficiará con programa de cooperación internacional PRO-IDEAL PLUS
- **Clic Newsletter: February 09, 2010.** Relevant info regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS:
 - Acceda a fondos de cooperación Internacional y participe en proyectos de investigación y desarrollo en TIC
- **PRO-IDEAL News: June 7, 2010**
 - 1st ICT Day in Costa Rica– A great success.
 - Empowering EU-LA ICT Collaboration - ICT 2010 Networking Session
 - PRO-IDEAL and Ideal-ist event in Chile and Uruguay
 - Workshop on EU- Mexican S&T Cooperation in ICT. Monterrey, Mexico
 - Upcoming PRO-IDEAL Events in Uruguay and Argentina
 - FIRST fosters EU-LA Cooperation on Future Internet
- **PRO-IDEAL News: September 8, 2010**
 - Latin America defines ICT research priorities for cooperation with Europe
 - ICT 2010: a gateway to enhance the ICT policy dialogue and R&D cooperation between EU-LA
 - EULARINET Workshop on EU-LA cooperation, 29-30 September 2010, Goethe Institute, Brussels
 - PRO-IDEAL leads the debate on ICT policies and R&D priorities in Uruguay and Argentina
 - Upcoming Events: ICT Interactive workshops in Mexico D.F and Medellín
- **PRO-IDEAL News: December 1, 2010**
 - Knowledge Safari to hunt future collaborative ICT projects
 - First ICT Forum held in Santiago, Chile
 - ANDICOM 2010 was ratified as the most important space of dialogue and interaction of the ICT industry in Latin America
 - Information Day on ICT-Call 7 took place in Valparaíso, Chile on 5 November, 2010
 - Creation of the Steering Council of the Mexican Technology Platform on Future Internet


The following sections show screenshots of *EMFlash*, *Clic* and *PRO-IDEAL News* newsletters, along with images of the *PRO-IDEAL Blog* including news regarding PRO-IDEAL PLUS.

2. EMFlash Newsletters

EMFlash: 28 April 2010



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- ▶ [WAVE: Welcoming Argument Visualisation to Europe](#)
- ▶ **[PRO-IDEAL Plus: a commitment to cooperation in ICT between Europe and Latin America](#)**
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Submitted by rakelmrn on Wed, 03/02/2010 - 11:31



On the 16th February 2010, the Chamber of Information Communication and Technologies of Costa Rica (CAMTIC) will welcome the meeting to launch the PRO-IDEAL Plus project and the 1st workshop for the ICT cooperation between Europe and Latin America.

PRO-IDEAL PLUS is an international cooperation project funded by the ICT Programme of FP7 in order to facilitate the active participation of universities, research centers and Latin American companies in research and technological development related to ICT. It complements the already running project PRO-IDEAL.

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Submitted by [Idoia](#) on Tue, 07/09/2010 - 11:55



Visit us and our Latin American delegations at the ICT Conference. The EU-LAC ICT Gateway stand in the "International Village" (Zone D of the exhibition area.) is a group stand that provides a wealth of information on research excellence in Latin America, and how to bring together EU and LAC researchers.

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EU-Latin American ICT Gateway - Workshop on EU-LA cooperation possibilities


Submitted by carmen on Tue, 12/10/2010 - 16:59



On September 29-30, 2010, EULARINET, supported by PRO-IDEAL Plus, FIRST and FORESTA, organized a workshop aimed at bringing together ICT-researchers from Europe and Latin America to establish contact with potential partners and at defining future perspectives of collaboration. All information related to the workshop, as well as background documents on European-Latin American ICT cooperation and capacities can be downloaded here: www.eularinet.eu.

Around 130 participants attended the Workshop on EU-LA cooperation possibilities, including Latin American and European researchers from industry and academia; FP7 National Contact Points (NCPs) for ICT, policy experts, as well as representatives of the European Commission.

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3. Clic Newsletters

CLIC – Boletín de la Cámara de Tecnología de Información y Comunicación América Latina

Date: 14/01/2010



Boletín de la Cámara de Tecnologías de Información y Comunicación

EVENTOS TIC

Eventos TIC nacionales e internacionales

Programa PRO-IDEAL PLUS apuesta por la cooperación en TIC entre Europa y América Latina

14 de Enero, 2010



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El próximo 16 de febrero CAMTIC acogerá la reunión de lanzamiento del proyecto PRO-IDEAL PLUS y el **primer workshop** sobre cooperación en TIC entre Europa y América Latina.

Para inscribirse a este evento contacte a Micaela Mazzei al (506) 2283-2205 o al e-mail mmazzei@camtic.org

PRO-IDEAL PLUS es un proyecto de **cooperación internacional** financiado por el **VII Programa Marco de la Unión Europea** con el fin de facilitar la participación activa de universidades, centros de **investigación** y empresas latinoamericanas en proyectos de investigación y desarrollo tecnológico relacionados con las TIC.

Costa Rica a través de CAMTIC participa activamente en el proyecto PRO-IDEAL PLUS, junto con INMARK, la empresa española coordinadora del proyecto, y otros socios europeos y latinoamericanos: el **European Multimedia Forum**, el **Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey**, **SOFTTEL** de Cuba, la **Universidad Nacional de Colombia**, la **Universidad de Sao Paulo**, el **Ministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología de Argentina** y la **Asociación de Derecho e Informática de Chile**.

Con su apertura a la cooperación con terceros países, el **VII Programa Marco** constituye una excelente oportunidad también para los países de **América Latina** que pueden participar en **igualdad de condiciones** con las universidades, centros de investigación y empresas europeas, aunque hasta ahora su participación en proyectos de investigación del **Programa Marco**, y en especial en proyectos TIC ha estado muy por debajo de sus expectativas.

Participación en proyectos de I+D con Europa

CAMTIC y el Consorcio PRO-IDEAL PLUS organizan un **taller interactivo** el próximo 16 de febrero en la sede de la **Fundación Omar Dengo** en San José. El objetivo es familiarizar a los participantes con el programa de investigación en TIC del VIIPM y con las reglas de participación en proyectos de cooperación internacional.

¿Quiénes deben participar?

- Investigadores, de Universidades y empresas
- Directores de investigación
- Empresas del sector TIC
- Responsables de las políticas de I+D

CLIC – Boletín de la Cámara de Tecnología de Información y Comunicación:
Dates: 29/01/2010 & 02/02/2010



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EVENTOS TIC

CAMTIC participa en el desarrollo del Proyecto PRO-IDEAL PLUS

29 de Enero, 2010



CAMTIC acogerá el lanzamiento del proyecto **PRO-IDEAL PLUS** y el primer taller sobre cooperación en TIC entre la **Unión Europea** y **América Latina**. Este taller se realizará el 16 de Febrero y busca dar a conocer los mecanismos que podrían acelerar la **innovación** e identificar **potenciales socios** en temas de **innovación**, **desarrollo tecnológico** y **acceso a la Unión Europea**.

PRO-IDEAL PLUS es un proyecto financiado por el **VII Programa Marco** de la **Unión Europea** ideado para motivar la participación de empresarios, académicos y centros de **investigación** en proyectos de **innovación** y **desarrollo tecnológico** en TIC.

Para inscripciones en el **ICT Day** contacta a **Micaela Mazzei** al (505) 2283-2205 o al e-mail mmazzei@camtic.org



02 - 09 de Febrero, 2010



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EVENTOS TIC

Se acerca el primer taller de cooperación TIC Europa - Costa Rica

02 Febrero, 2010



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Fuente: [Más información](#)

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ACTUALIDAD TIC

Noticias de actualidad sobre el sector TIC en Costa Rica

Sector TIC costarricense se beneficiará con programa de cooperación internacional PRO-IDEAL PLUS

05 Febrero, 2010



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El sector TIC costarricense se verá favorecido en materia de **cooperación internacional** gracias al programa PRO-IDEAL PLUS y la realización del primer taller sobre **cooperación TIC** entre la **Unión Europea y América Latina**.

PRO-IDEAL PLUS tendrá su reunión inicial el **16 de Febrero** del 2010. Este programa forma parte de un proyecto de **cooperación internacional** financiado por el **VII Programa Marco** de la **Unión Europea**.

Su objetivo es facilitar la **participación activa** de universidades, **centros de investigación** y empresas latinoamericanas en **proyectos de investigación y desarrollo tecnológico** relacionados con las **tecnologías de información y comunicación (TIC)**.

Esta actividad representa una oportunidad para que los países de la región **latinoamericana** cooperen con las universidades, centros de investigaciones y empresas europeas dentro del **VII Programa Marco (VIIPM)** de la **Unión Europea**.



La **Cámara de Tecnologías de Información y Comunicación (CANTIC)** está involucrada de manera activa en el proyecto junto a **INMARK**, la empresa española encargada de coordinar el proyecto.

Es por esa razón que **CANTIC** y el **Consortio PRO-IDEAL PLUS** organizaron un taller interactivo que tendrá lugar **16 de Febrero** en las instalaciones de la **Fundación Omar Dengo**.

El objetivo de esta actividad es familiarizar a los participantes con el **programa de investigación en TIC** del **VII Programa Marco** de la **Unión Europea** y con las reglas de participación en proyectos de **cooperación internacional**.

CLIC – Boletín de la Cámara de Tecnología de Información y Comunicación

Date: 09/02/2010




Boletín de la Cámara de Tecnologías de Información y Comunicación

EVENTOS TIC

Eventos TIC nacionales e internacionales

Acceda a fondos de cooperación Internacional y participe en proyectos de investigación y desarrollo en TIC

09 Febrero, 2010



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CANTIC acogerá el lanzamiento del proyecto **PRO-IDEAL PLUS** y el primer taller sobre **cooperación en TIC** entre la **Unión Europea** y **América Latina**. Este taller se realizará el **16 de Febrero** y busca dar a conocer los mecanismos que podrían acelerar la **innovación** e identificar potenciales socios en temas de **innovación, desarrollo tecnológico** y acceso a la Unión Europea.

PRO-IDEAL PLUS es un proyecto financiado por el **Séptimo Programa Marco de la Unión Europea**, un programa ideado para motivar la participación de empresarios, académicos y **centros de investigación** en proyectos de **innovación y desarrollo tecnológico** en TIC.

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¿Qué es el Séptimo Programa Marco (7PM) de Investigación y Desarrollo?

El **7PM** tiene una duración de siete años (**2007-2013**), cuenta con un presupuesto total de más de 50.000 millones de euros y consiste en un instrumento que viene a cubrir las necesidades europeas en cuanto a empleo, **competitividad** y conservación del liderazgo en la economía global actualmente basada en el conocimiento.

Con el fin de cofinanciar **proyectos de investigación, desarrollo tecnológico** y **demonstración**, este presupuesto se estaría gastando en subvenciones para agentes de la investigación en toda Europa y el resto del mundo.

El **7PM** se caracteriza por ser un programa amplio, flexible, simple y completo. Sus dos objetivos primordiales son reforzar la base científica y **tecnológica** de la industria europea y favorecer su **competitividad internacional**, promoviendo una investigación que respalde las políticas comunitarias.

¿Quién puede presentar propuestas?

- Grupos de investigación de universidades o institutos de investigación
- Empresas que deseen innovar
- Pequeñas y medianas empresas
- Asociaciones o agrupaciones de PYMEs
- Administración pública o gubernamental (municipal, regional o nacional)
- Investigadores en la fase inicial de su carrera
- Investigadores experimentados
- Instituciones que estén a cargo de infraestructuras de investigación de interés transnacional
- Organizaciones e investigadores de terceros países
- Organizaciones internacionales
- Organizaciones de la sociedad civil

El **7PM** está abierto a participantes de **cualquier país del mundo**, variando de todas formas los procedimientos de participación y las posibilidades de financiación; además dispone de **becas internacionales** de salida a terceros países y **becas para beneficiarios** de terceros países con las que se busca promover la colaboración con grupos científicos de fuera de Europa.


Los dos objetivos principales en cuanto al fomento de la **cooperación** con terceros países son:

- Apoyar la **competitividad europea** en campos escogidos por medio de asociaciones estratégicas con terceros países e iniciativas que animen a los mejores científicos de terceros países a trabajar en Europa y con Europa; y
- Abordar problemas concretos que tengan carácter mundial o que aquejen comúnmente a terceros países basándose en el interés y beneficio mutuos.

4. PRO-IDEAL News

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Promotion of an ICT dialogue
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PRO-IDEAL Projects

PRO-IDEAL and PRO-IDEAL PLUS FP7-ICT projects promote the ICT dialogue and support the ICT R&D cooperation between Europe and Latin America. Ongoing projects activities cover eight LAC countries: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Uruguay, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico and Cuba. For more information, please visit [PRO-IDEAL's](#) platform.

Welcome to the EU-Latin America ICT Gateway







The EU-LA cluster projects are Support Actions funded by FP7-ICT Programme

7 June, 2010

1st ICT Day in Costa Rica– A great success.

The first PRO IDEAL PLUS ICT Day took place in San Jose, Costa Rica on 16 of February 2010, organised by the Costa Rican Chamber of Information and Communications Technologies (CAMTIC) and supported by the EC International Relations Unit. The ICT Day attracted over 55 participants representing universities, research centres, local and international companies, SMEs, civil society organisations and other ICT policy makers and stakeholders.


Ms Clotilde Fonseca, the new Minister of Science and Technology of the Costa Rican government and then executive director of the Omar Dengo Foundation that hosted the event, opened the morning session. It focused on highlighting the opportunities for research cooperation with Europe and the need to forge the ICT policy dialogue between the EU and LAC. A practical training session run by the PI+ team started the afternoon workshop, followed by interactive roundtable discussions on project ideas. Learn more about the ICT Day: http://www.pro-ideal.eu/ICT_day_San_Jose

For a full appreciation of its success, please refer to "[El Financiero](#)".

Empowering EU-LA ICT Collaboration - ICT 2010 Networking Session

This Networking Session will take place in Brussels during the ICT 2010 event on 27-29 September. The ICT 2010 is a biannual event organised by the European Commission. The last one in 2008 attracted almost 5000 visitors active in ICT.

The Networking Session will be facilitated by four FP7-ICT running projects promoting ICT research collaboration: PRO-IDEAL, PRO-IDEAL PLUS, FORESTA, and FIRST, and will provide an opportunity for participants to share ICT project ideas and empower closer collaboration between Europe and Latin America through proactive networking. Key topics discussion will showcase practical tools to participate in ICT projects, like the ICT Wiki of the PRO-IDEAL platform, Project Angels support or the Technology Platforms in Latin America.



The Agenda of the Networking Session will be available soon at www.pro-ideal.eu and [ICT 2010 website](#).

PRO-IDEAL and Ideal-ist event in Chile and Uruguay

PRO-IDEAL, in collaboration with Ideal-ist, organized in Uruguay (23 of March) and Chile (25 of March) a workshop to spread knowledge about PRO-IDEAL on-line tools to facilitate the participation in ICT R&D projects, e.g. the ICT Wiki, training modules and partners search. [Ideal-ist](#) National Representatives in Mexico and Argentina presented its partners search service throughout Latin America.

The events mobilized over 120 qualified participants in the ICT field from the academia, private and public sector, providing a great opportunity for participants to gain an up-to-date knowledge and hands-on work of the issues in international cooperation with Europe.

Both events also showcased the benefits for potential participants in the FP7-ICT Programme to take advantage from the combined services of PRO-IDEAL and Ideal-ist in order to successfully apply to FP7.

Workshop on EU- Mexican S&T Cooperation in ICT. Monterrey, Mexico

The Bureau for EU-Mexican Science, Technology and Innovation Cooperation (UEMEXCYT2) and CONACYT are organizing a workshop on June 28 - 29, 2010, about EU - Mexican Science and Technology Cooperation in ICT. The event focuses on common challenges and ICT priorities for FP7 R&D Cooperation between EU and Mexico under the ICT Programme.

The PRO-IDEAL PLUS project will actively participate in this event through its partners INMARK (Spain) and Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey - ITESM (Mexico), to promote the ICT dialogue and support the participation of Mexican researchers in R&D ICT projects in cooperation with Europe.

The workshop is supported by the European Commission DG Information Society and Media and other outstanding ICT stakeholders like Asociación Mexicana de la Industria de Tecnologías de Información (AMITI), ICT National Contact Point for Mexico (ITESM), LANIA A.C. and REDTIC.

Further information on the programme, please [click here](#).

Upcoming PRO-IDEAL Events in Uruguay and Argentina

Two new awareness raising workshops will take place in **Montevideo on 30-21 August and Buenos Aires on 2-3 September 2010**. These events will continue promoting the opportunities for ICT R&D collaboration between Europe and Latin America and it is expected to attract key ICT players from the industry and researchers wishing to participate in the next ICT calls for proposals.

The workshop in Buenos Aires will be held in cooperation with [Jornadas Argentinas de Informática](#) (Argentine Informatics Days), organized by the Sociedad Argentina de Informática (SADIO). Symposium sessions will be held separately, with a specific topic and one or two days each. The aim of this event is to present papers, discuss research results and activities on different topics, as well as holding meetings and conferences.

FIRST fosters EU-LA Cooperation on Future Internet

The FIRST project aims to **extend and adapt the successful concept of European Technology Platforms (ETPs)** to Latin American, by gathering strategic stakeholders from the different sectors included in the Future Internet, ICT Components and systems fields into one national ICT Technology Platform per country in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia and Mexico. The importance of Future Internet as federated research theme has been already recognised worldwide, e.g. research initiatives in USA (FIND and GENI), Japan (AKARI), Korea or China. Europe's current research efforts on the Future Internet account for more than 100 projects, involving more than 500 European entities with total EU funding of around €500M, which will be complemented by new projects coming from forthcoming calls of FP7-ICT and the Future Internet PPP.

We trust that FIRST will encourage Latin American stakeholders to actively cooperate with Europeans through R&D projects in the field of Future Internet, and Latin American Technology Platforms will play a key role in this cooperation.


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Participate in our Networking Session [Empowering EU-LAC ICT collaboration](#) that will take place on 28 September at 11 a.m. in Room T004. The agenda includes discussions on key topics in ICT research and networking to empower co-operation between Europe and Latin America.

Visit our Exhibition Stand [EU-Latin America ICT Gateway: Fostering the ICT policy dialogue and research cooperation between Europe and Latin America](#), in Zone D: International Village. This exhibition stand is a one-stop-shop for all EU-Latin American activities within ICT 2010 and especially a meeting point for potential Latin American and European partners for ICT projects.

EULARINET Workshop on EU-LA cooperation, 29-30 September 2010, Goethe Institute, Brussels

EULARINET, the European Union-Latin American Research and Innovation Networks, supported by PRO-IDEAL, PRO-IDEAL PLUS, FIRST and FORESTA, organizes a workshop focusing on LA-EU cooperation. It will bring together researchers and ICT experts from Latin American and Europe, FP7 NCPs on ICT and EU representatives from DG RTD and DG INFSO.

The event includes a session on future perspectives of EU-LA cooperation in ICT research, success stories on R&D cooperation and a "project café" partnering session on specific topics and information on next calls. The agenda, registration form and further information are available online at:

<http://www.conacyt.qob.mx/uemexcyt2/w-eu-la2010.html>.

PRO-IDEAL leads the debate on ICT policies and R&D priorities in Uruguay and Argentina

PRO-IDEAL organised in Montevideo (30-31 August) and Buenos Aires (2-3 September) awareness raising workshops to continue promoting the opportunities for ICT R&D collaboration between Europe and Latin America, and to enhance the ICT policy dialogue.

In **Montevideo**, the event took place at the Technological Laboratory of Uruguay (LATU), and it was supported by Incubadora de Empresas INGENIO (spin-off support) and the National Agency for Research and Innovation (ANNI). The event addressed [public policies and ICT research priorities](#) and brought together more than 90 key players in the ICT field. In parallel, the PRO-IDEAL delegation including LATU, INMARK and EMF partners took part in a set of face to face meetings with selected stakeholders and policy makers in Science, Technology and ICT, including the Ministry of Education and Culture, the National Agency for Research and Innovation (ANNI), Fundación Ricaldoni, and the main Universities of Uruguay: Universidad de la República – Computing Institute, Universidad Católica del Uruguay and Universidad ORT.

The workshop in **Buenos Aires** was organised by MINCYT in the framework of the Argentine Informatics Days JAIIO 39, and supported by the Liaison Office Argentina-UE (ABEST). Around 35 researchers, industry representatives and policy makers attended the event. There was a session on [international cooperation Argentina-EU in ICT, followed by a roundtable](#) chaired by ABEST-MINCYT to discuss about the ICT policies and priorities status in Argentina with key national stakeholders and policy makers as panellists. The main topic was the ICT scenario in Argentina and the future of international cooperation in R&D ICT with Europe.

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Knowledge Safari to hunt future collaborative ICT projects

The PRO-IDEAL PLUS project has organised for the first time interactive workshops in Mexico and Colombia to inform, involve and engage future participants to the FP7 ICT programme. The two Knowledge Safari workshops involved 35 stakeholders each (researchers, industry, institutions). They were held on 9 November 2010 in Pachuca (Mexico) and on 11 November 2010 in Medellin (Colombia).

The co-creative events were designed and facilitated by the Italian team of [FUTOUR](#). The Knowledge Safari workshops adopted innovative participatory methodologies that fostered networking, clustering, team building and knowledge sharing by stimulating connective intelligence and contactivity.

Each event lasted about four hours and generated over 300 ideas to effective and successful collaborative projects. The level of engagement and attention among the participants was extremely high and this led to a strong motivation and curiosity relating to the possibility to participate in future FP7 ICT projects.



The Safari addressed a number of issues related to R&D cooperation with the EU and the process to create successful ICT proposals. At each new station the participants analyse its specific issue or question, they discuss and create a series of ideas. This circular brainstorming allows an in depth analysis of the various perspectives and the creation of an incremental, wiki-like picture of the knowledge and experience of the participants. Ideas discussed can be seen in the Safari reports from [Mexico](#) and [Colombia](#).

Next Safari stop, Cuba!

The next PRO-IDEAL PLUS event is scheduled to take place in La Habana at the Hotel Nacional de Cuba. On 15th March 2011 there will be an ICT Forum to support Cuba-EU dialogue for ICT R&D cooperation while on 16th March 2011 there will be the third Safari to co-create successful future ICT collaborative research projects with Europe.

First ICT Forum held in Santiago, Chile

The first PRO-IDEAL PLUS ICT Forum to support the ICT policy dialogue was held on 3 November 2010 in Santiago de Chile. Preceding the official S&T bilateral meeting between the EU and Chile scheduled for 4 November, the ICT Forum brought together a broad range of key players in the ICT and R&D sector from both, Chile and Europe. After introductory words of the representative of the EU Delegation, Claudia Geyer, Klaus Pendl from DG-INFOS gave an overview on Chilean participation in EU projects and the opportunities that the ICT programme offers. The intervention from Mr. Alfredo Barriga Cifuentes of the Chilean Ministry of economy highlighted the challenges Chile faces in the area of ICT. Speakers from CONCYT, the e-Infrastructures project EVALSO, REUNA and SME groups, as well as DG RTD were complemented by interventions of the European PRO-IDEAL PLUS partners. As preliminary conclusions, the following issues were pointed out:

- Research+Development+Innovation are crucial for both, the EU and Chile
- SMEs are at the core of Chile's (and EU's) economy and innovation
- Need for global action in ICT
- Challenge to collaborate between academia, industry and governments
- Up-grade intercontinental connectivity of e-infrastructures for ubiquitous access
- Chilean challenges: lack of R&D investment; Lack of success stories to prove benefit of ICT; no connection between science and economic value creation



[These conclusions](#) were followed by some short term action points, like the participation of a Chilean delegation for the next ICT 2012 event and the emphasis of ICT at the EU-LAC summit 2012 that will be hosted by Chile.

ANDICOM 2010 was ratified as the most important space of dialogue and interaction of the ICT industry in Latin America

In its 25th edition, the International ICT Congress ANDICOM, organized by the Telecommunications Research Centre of Colombia CINTEL, was ratified as the space for dialogue and interaction of the industry in the region. This was demonstrated in each of the sessions that addressed issues of business opportunities, vision, policy, regulation, economics, global trends, cooperation between Colombia and Europe, prospects for the mobile industry, and networking activities that were held during the congress.

From October 27th to 29th in the UNESCO world heritage site, Cartagena de Indias, ANDICOM was the scenario to generate discussion and analysis among the main actors in public and private sectors of the Industry around the theme "Networks, Services and Content: Business of the next decade in Latin America."

Throughout each of its editions, ANDICOM has offered the ICT industry a space with special features to discuss and promote the development of the sector. This was highlighted by Mr. Diego Molano, Colombia's Minister of ICT, who congratulated CINTEL for promoting the congress for 25 consecutive years. "These opportunities for dialogue and interaction are very important to observe how the business is evolving ...with the understanding that a year in this industry equals seven years of any other ..." stated the Minister of ICT.

More information [here](#).



Colombia's Minister of ICT at ANDICOM 2010.

Information Day on ICT-Call 7 took place in Valparaíso, Chile on 5 November, 2010

An Information Day on ICT-Call 7 was organised by ADI Chile and the PRO-IDEAL Consortium with the support of the EC DG-INFSO and the Universidad Técnica Federico Santa María in Valparaíso that hosted the event. The Info Day addressed possible ways forward in Chile-EU ICT R&D cooperation, including those objectives of the ICT Work Programme 2011 that are more relevant for International Cooperation between Europe and Latin America. The agenda also comprised key issues for successful ICT proposals and how the PRO-IDEAL Platform www.pro-ideal.eu can help the local research community to get involved in ICT projects.

During the event, the Project Angel Annika Schuettler from Chile received the Diploma of the Project Angels coaching course. The Info Day was also an opportunity for proposers to present project ideas for ICT.



The agenda and presentations are available for [download](#).

Creation of the Steering Council of the Mexican Technology Platform on Future Internet

Last November 9th the Steering Council of the Mexican Technology Platform (MTP) was defined and implemented during the ICT Day & Interactive Workshop organized by PRO-IDEAL PLUS and FIRST projects in Pachuca, Mexico. The Steering Council members of the MTP were nominated, and the organization's vision, mission, and governance defined. Around 60 representatives of the industry, government, and research institutions of different states of the country attended this event; among them there were applicants for different positions in the Steering Council: presidency, the leaders of Thematic Work Groups (TWG), the Observers (organizations supporting R&D), Group operators of ICT companies, Scientific Committee and secretariat. The elected president was Guillermo Safa.

The event agenda consisted of the following sections:

- ◊ 1st Part. Introduction.
- ◊ 2nd Part. Formation of MTP's Steering Council.
- ◊ 3rd Part. Revision and analysis of the initial version of MTP's vision, mission, governance, and strategic agenda.
- ◊ 4th Part. Next actions for MTP consolidation.

The next challenge of the MTP are: the official launching of the MTP at the beginning of next year, development of TWG meetings for generating research and action lines, approach of Mexican TWG with their European counterparts, recruitment of more companies from members of the different ICT clusters, generation of first proposals for obtaining FP7 funds.



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PRO-IDEAL PLUS

11 May 2010

PRO-IDEAL PLUS: Apuesta por la cooperación en TIC entre Europa y América Latina

El próximo 16 de febrero **CAMTIC** acogerá la reunión de lanzamiento del proyecto **PRO-IDEAL PLUS** y el **primer workshop** sobre cooperación en **TIC** entre **Europa y América Latina**.

PRO-IDEAL PLUS es un proyecto de **cooperación internacional** financiado por el **VII Programa Marco de la Unión Europea** con el fin de facilitar la participación activa de universidades, centros de **investigación** y empresas latinoamericanas en proyectos de investigación y desarrollo tecnológico relacionados con las **TIC**.

Costa Rica a través de **CAMTIC** participa activamente en el proyecto **PRO-IDEAL PLUS**, junto con **INMARK**, la empresa española coordinadora del proyecto, y otros socios europeos y latinoamericanos: el **European Multimedia Forum**, el **Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey**, **SOFTEL** de Cuba, la **Universidad Nacional de Colombia**, la **Universidad de Sao Paulo**, el **Ministerio de Ciencia y Tecnología de Argentina** y la **Asociación de Derecho e Informática de Chile**.

Con su apertura a la cooperación con terceros países, el **VII Programa Marco** constituye una excelente oportunidad también para los países de **América Latina** que pueden participar en **igualdad de condiciones** con las universidades, centros de investigación y empresas europeas, aunque hasta ahora su participación en proyectos de investigación del **Programa Marco**, y en especial en proyectos **TIC** ha estado muy por debajo de sus expectativas.

Participación en proyectos de I+D con Europa

CAMTIC y el **Consorcio PRO-IDEAL PLUS** organizan un **taller interactivo** el próximo 16 de febrero en la sede de la **Fundación Omar** Dengo en San José. El objetivo es familiarizar a los participantes con el programa de investigación en **TIC** del **VIIPM** y con las reglas de participación en proyectos de cooperación internacional.

¿Quiénes deben participar?

- Investigadores, de Universidades y empresas
- Directores de investigación
- Empresas del sector TIC
- Responsables de las políticas de I+D

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11 May 2010

PRO-IDEAL PLUS: ICT Day in Costa Rica on 16 February 2010

The PRO-IDEAL PLUS project, an extension of PRO-IDEAL to Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico and Cuba, with the focus on the ICT Dialogue between Latin America and Europe, starts its activities on 16 February 2010 with its **first ICT Day** in Costa Rica. For more details about our partner in Costa Rica and the Draft programme, visit our [Costa Rica country page](#).

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PRO-IDEAL plus: the extension of PRO-IDEAL to Costa Rica, Mexico, Colombia and Cuba.

PRO-IDEAL Plus: the extension of PRO-IDEAL to Costa Rica, Mexico, Colombia and Cuba, held its first ICT Day in San Jose on 16 February 2010. For a full appreciation of its success, please refer to "[El Financiero](#)".

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Challenges and opportunities for ICT cooperation between Chile and the European Union

On 25 March 2010, an ICT cooperation conference-workshop will be held in Santiago.

This conference aims to present some tools for cooperation in ICT between Latin America and Europe under the Seventh Framework Program.

[Read more](#)

Desafíos y oportunidades para la cooperación en TICs entre Chile y la Unión Europea

La presente conferencia tiene por objetivo dar a conocer algunas herramientas de cooperación en materia de TICs entre América Latina y Europa dentro del Séptimo Programa Marco.

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16 Jun 2010

1st ICT Day in Costa Rica- A great success.

The first PRO IDEAL PLUS ICT Day took place in San Jose, Costa Rica on 16 of February 2010, organised by the Costa Rican Chamber of Information and Communications Technologies (CAMTIC) and supported by the EC International Relations Unit. The ICT Day attracted over 55 participants representing universities, research centres, local and international companies, SMEs, civil society organisations and other ICT policy makers and stakeholders.

Ms Clotilde Fonseca, the new Minister of Science and Technology of the Costa Rican government and then executive director of the Omar Dengo Foundation that hosted the event, opened the morning session. It focused on highlighting the opportunities for research cooperation with Europe and the need to forge the ICT policy dialogue between the EU and LAC. A practical training session run by the PI+ team started the afternoon workshop, followed by interactive roundtable discussions on project ideas.

Learn more about the ICT Day: http://www.pro-ideal.eu/ICT_day_San_Jose

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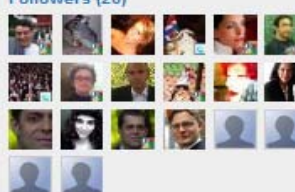
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Empowering EU-LA ICT Collaboration - ICT 2010 Networking Session

This Networking Session will take place in Brussels during the ICT 2010 event on 27-29 September. The ICT 2010 is a biannual event organised by the European Commission. The last one in 2008 attracted almost 5000 visitors active in ICT. The Networking Session will be facilitated by four FP7-ICT running projects promoting ICT research collaboration: PRO-IDEAL, PRO-IDEAL PLUS, FORESTA, and FIRST, and will provide an opportunity for participants to share ICT project ideas and empower closer collaboration between Europe and Latin America through proactive networking. Key topics discussion will showcase practical tools to participate in ICT projects, like the ICT Wiki of the PRO-IDEAL platform, Project Angels support or the Technology Platforms in Latin America.

The Agenda of the Networking Session will be available soon at www.pro-ideal.eu and [ICT 2010 website](#).

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Workshop on EU- Mexican Science and Technology Cooperation in ICT, June 28 - 29, 2010. Monterrey, Mexico

The Bureau for EU-Mexican Science, Technology and Innovation Cooperation (UEMEXCYT2) is organizing the workshop about EU- Mexican Science and Technology Cooperation in ICT.

The event focuses on common challenges and ICT priorities for FP7 R&D Cooperation between EU and Mexico under the ICT Programme.

The PRO-IDEAL PLUS project will actively participate in this event through its partners INMARK (Spain) and ITESM (Mexico), to promote the ICT dialogue and support the participation of Mexican researchers in R&D ICT projects in cooperation with Europe.

The Workshop in Monterrey is organised by CONACYT through the UEMEXCYT2 Office and other outstanding CT stakeholders:

- Asociación Mexicana de la Industria de Tecnologías de Información (AMITI)
- European Comission DG Information Society and Media.
- ICT National Contact Point for Mexico, Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (ITESM)
- Laboratorio Nacional de Informática Avanzada, A.C. (LANIA)
- Monterrey IT Custer and Nuevo Leon IT Cluster
- REDTIC National Coordination, Instituto Nacional de Astrofísica Óptica y Electrónica (INAOE)
- Universidad de las Américas Puebla


The programme consists of plenary and parallel sessions on participating in FP7 ICT. Further information on the programme, please [click here](#).

The workshop will take place in [Parque de Investigación e Innovación Tecnológica \(PIIT Monterrey\)](#).

For all information about the workshop in Spanish, please [click here](#).

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20 Jul 2010

A Pro Ideal Plus Project Angel received grant to ICT2010


Patricia Sanchez a Project Angel from Costa Rica, has received a Travel grant from the [ENLACE project](#) to assist at the [ICT2010 event](#) in September.

The ENLACE travel grant scheme promotes exchange between Central American and European researchers. One of the Pro Ideal Plus Project Angels will travel to Brussels in September to assist and participate in the biggest ICT event in Europe.

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ICT 2010 EU-LAC Networking Session 28/09 11am

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Project Café 30 September in Brussels

In the wake of the ICT2010 event, the INCO project EULARINET, together with PRO-IDEAL, PRO-IDEAL PLUS, FIRST and FORESTA organises a Project Café event on 30 September 2010, preceded by a cocktail on the 29th, in Brussels. Participation is free of charge, but registration is mandatory at: <http://www.conacyt.gob.mx/uemexcyt2/w-eu-la2010.html>

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Safara [Swahili]: "long journey"

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20 Sep 2010

ICT2010:Empowering EU-LAC ICT collaboration 28/09!

Join us at ICT2010 in Brussels and come to our networking session, **Tuesday, 28 September 2010, 11a.m., Room T004**. International panelist from Latin America and Europe will discuss ICT priorities and the first Project Angel diploma will be awarded. A networking session will allow for proactive interaction between panelists and the public, and project ideas will be presented.

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Strengthening the ICT policy dialogue between Europe and Latin America



On 20 September 2010, EMF and its [Pro-Ideal](#) project partners met with Latin American and Caribbean diplomats in Brussels. This meeting, hosted by the Argentine Mission, was a first step towards developing the policy dialogue between the European Union and Latin America in the field of ICT along the lines proposed in EMF's recent position paper "[Towards an Inter-regional Digital Agenda between Latin America and Europe](#)".

The two regions have common cultural interests and are economically compatible. The Latin American markets are currently expanding very strongly. Europe should support this expansion and help making it sustainable. Long-term partnerships should be developed in science, education, training, research, marketing and sales. The EU has taken many steps in the right direction through the EU-LAC Summits and the Science & Technology Agreements. EMF and its partners are now calling for a more focused and sector-specific approach in ICT, through the elaboration and implementation of a Joint Digital Agenda.

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8 Oct 2010

30 New Project Angel applications




30 participants from Argentina, Mexico, Colombia, Uruguay, Costa Rica, Peru and Guatemala will follow the on-line course to become Project Angels in their countries. The course started on the 4th October and a new a LinkedIN group has been created for on-line discussions among all the Project Angels.

For those that are interested to become a Project Angels, a new course will be launched in February-March 2011.

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Diploma for the first Project Angel



Alejandra Davidziuk, Project Angel from Argentina received the first Diploma of the Project Angels coaching course at the ICT event 2010 in Brussels. The award ceremony has been one of the activities during the EU-LA ICT Gateway networking session held in Brussels on 28th of September.

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EU-LAC ICT Gateway/EULARINET presentations on-line

The EU-LAC Gateway/EULARINET event, held in the wake of the ICT2010 event on 29 and 30 September 2010 in Brussels, was a huge networking success, with more than 140 participants from both regions. All presentations are available at the [EULARINET website](#). If you are interested in more concrete collaboration, [contact us](#).

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29 Oct 2010

ICT Day and Interactive workshops in Pachuca (Mexico) and Medellín (Colombia). 8-12 November, 2010

These interactive workshops have as main objective to strengthen international cooperation in ICT research, innovation and technological development between Europe and LA.

- 8-9 November 2010**, Venue: Universidad Autónoma de Hidalgo, Pachuca, Hidalgo, Mexico. [Click here](#) to see the agenda of the event.
- 11-12 November 2010**, Venue: Sheraton Four Points Medellín. Cra. 43 C No. 6 Sur 100. The agenda of the event is available [here](#).

The events will be held in the framework of PRO-IDEAL PLUS ICT Days to raise awareness and engage potential participants in the FP7 ICT programme in Mexico and Colombia. The workshops address selected groups of participants from the academia and the industry (30-35 per country) and will apply new participatory methods like **Safari**, to stimulate creativity, innovation and engagement, as to increase the quality and quantity of Latin America and EU ICT R&D cooperation projects.

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ICT Forum in Santiago, Chile - 3 November 2010

Organised by the PRO-IDEAL PLUS consortium, the Asociación de Derecho e Informática de Chile (ADI Chile), and with the collaboration of CONICYT, the ICT Forum will bring together key actors and policy makers from Chile and the EU to support the Chile-Europe policy dialogue in the ICT R&D sector.

The event will be held at Fundación Universitaria Iberoamericana (FUNIBER) facilities. For more information about the programme, please [click here](#).

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ICT Forum, Santiago de Chile & ICT Days, Valparaiso - 3/5 November 2010

The complete presentation material of the ICT Forum in Santiago de Chile & the ICT Days in Valparaiso which took place on 3/5 November 2010 is now available on the Pro-Ideal [website](#).

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Conclusions of the ICT Forum in Santiago de Chile - 3 November 2010

The first PRO-IDEAL PLUS ICT Forum to support the ICT policy dialogue between Chile and the EU was held in Santiago de Chile on 3 November 2010.

After introductory words of the representative of the EU embassy, Claudia Geyer, Klaus Pendl of the European Commission gave an overview on Chilean participation in EU projects and the opportunities that the ICT Programme offers. The intervention from Mr. Alfredo Barriga Cifuentes of the Chilean Ministry of the Economy, Development and Tourism highlighted Chile's Digital Agenda. Speakers from ICT organisations, the e-infrastructures project EVALSO as well as CONCYT and the European Commission's DG Research were complemented by contributions from the PRO-IDEAL PLUS partners. As preliminary conclusions, the following issues were identified:

Research+Development+Innovation are crucial for both the EU and Chile:

- SMEs are at the core of Chile's (and the EU's) economy and innovation
- Need for global action
- Challenge to collaborate between academia, industry and governments
- Up-grade intercontinental connectivity of e-infrastructures for ubiquitous access

Chilean challenges:


- Lack of R&D investment;
- Lack of success stories to prove benefit of ICT
- No connection between science and economic value creation

These findings should find their way into the Roadmap for future actions between the EU and Chile.

The full material of the workshop is available [here](#).

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3 Dec 2010

ICT day and interactive workshop in Medellin -11/12 November 2010

The complete presentation material of the ICT Forum in Medellin (Colombia) which took place on 11/12 November 2010 is now available on the Pro-Ideal website. For all the information, presentations and pictures please [click here](#).



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9 Dec 2010

ICT day and interactive workshop in Pachuca (Mexico) 09/10 November 2010

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First ICT Forum held in Santiago, Chile

The first PRO-IDEAL PLUS ICT Forum to support the ICT policy dialogue was held on 3 November 2010 in Santiago de Chile. Preceding the official S&T bilateral meeting between the EU and Chile scheduled for 4 November, the ICT Forum brought together a broad range of key players in the ICT and R&D sector from both, Chile and Europe. After introductory words of the representative of the EU Delegation, Claudia Geyer, Klaus Pendl from DG-INFISO gave an overview on Chilean participation in EU projects and the opportunities that the ICT programme offers. The intervention from Mr. Alfredo Barriga Cifuentes of the Chilean Ministry of economy highlighted the challenges Chile faces in the area of ICT. Speakers from CONCYT, the e-Infrastructures project EVALSO, REUNA and SME groups, as well as DG RTD were complemented by interventions of the European PRO-IDEAL PLUS partners. As preliminary conclusions, the following issues were pointed out:

- Research+Development+Innovation are crucial for both, the EU and Chile
- SMEs are at the core of Chile's (and EU's) economy and innovation
- Need for global action in ICT
- Challenge to collaborate between academia, industry and governments
- Up-grade intercontinental connectivity of e-infrastructures for ubiquitous access
- Chilean challenges: lack of R&D investment; Lack of success stories to prove benefit of ICT; no connection between science and economic value creation



These conclusions were followed by some short term action points, like the participation of a Chilean delegation for the next ICT 2012 event and the emphasis of ICT at the EU-LAC summit 2012 that will be hosted by Chile.

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PRO-IDEAL PLUS


15 Dec 2010

Knowledge Safari to hunt future collaborative ICT projects

The PRO-IDEAL PLUS project has organised for the first time interactive workshops in Mexico and Colombia to inform, involve and engage future participants to the FP7 ICT programme. The two Knowledge Safari workshops involved 35 stakeholders each (researchers, industry, institutions). They were held on 9 November 2010 in Pachuca (Mexico) and on 11 November 2010 in Medellin (Colombia).

The co-creative events were designed and facilitated by the Italian team of [FUTOUR](#). The Knowledge Safari workshops adopted innovative participatory methodologies that fostered networking, clustering, team building and knowledge sharing by stimulating connective intelligence and contactivity.

Each event lasted about four hours and generated over 300 ideas to effective and successful collaborative projects. The level of engagement and attention among the participants was extremely high and this led to a strong motivation and curiosity relating to the possibility to participate in future FP7 ICT projects.




The Safari addressed a number of issues related to R&D cooperation with the EU and the process to create successful ICT proposals. At each new station the participants analyse its specific issue or question, they discuss and create a series of ideas. This circular brainstorming allows an in depth analysis of the various perspectives and the creation of an incremental, wiki-like picture of the knowledge and experience of the participants. Ideas discussed can be seen in the Safari reports from [Mexico](#) and [Colombia](#).

Next Safari stop, Cuba!

The next PRO-IDEAL PLUS event is scheduled to take place in La Habana at the Hotel Nacional de Cuba. On 15th March 2011 there will be an ICT Forum to support Cuba-EU dialogue for ICT R&D cooperation while on 16th March 2011 there will be the third Safari to co-create successful future ICT collaborative research projects with Europe.

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