



# **Fet Flagship Initiatives**

## **"Science & Policy Forum on FET Flagships' Workshop"**

**9-10<sup>th</sup> June 2010  
Brussels**

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## Background information

The [Future Emerging Technologies \(FET\)](#) scheme as part of the DG INFSO ICT programme is in the process of setting up the FET Flagship Initiatives, as laid down in the Communication ['Moving the ICT frontiers – a strategy of research on future and emerging technologies in Europe'](#) (COM (2009) 184 – [download PDF](#)) and endorsed by the COMP Council Conclusions of 04/12/2009. As one of the key actions, these communications envisage the launch of at least two of these initiatives by 2013.

FET Flagships are proposed to be visionary, large-scale European ICT research initiatives nucleated from FET but cascading into various scientific and technological areas of different maturity, from long term to more technology driven research. Built on established strengths of European research, they will be goal-driven to achieve a key scientific breakthrough which will serve as strong basis potential for future technological innovation and economic exploitation. FET Flagships are envisioned to run for at least 10 years, on a budget of around up to 100 M€Euros per year per initiative. The overarching nature and magnitude of these initiatives implies that they can only be realised through a federated effort of the different EC services, along with Member States, regional and other funding agencies, and where appropriate, global partners and industry.

The previous [workshop on FET Flagships](#) took place in Brussels 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010 where some preliminary ideas were discussed. [More information on this meeting.](#)

## Objective of the "Science & Policy Forum on FET Flagships' Workshop"

**The objective of this workshop** is to establish an open, high-level, high-visibility event and to inform all stakeholders (from key scientists to research policy makers) on the preparation of the FET Flagship initiatives. This event is to:

- Serve as a wide, open forum for exchange of ideas among representatives of the scientific community and from research authorities of Member States.
- Offer an opportunity to present and discuss all the ideas submitted through the online consultation
- Promote a further consolidation of the concept and features of FET flagships
- Strengthen support of the different Member States, through the role and activities of a dedicated working group
- Serve as an occasion to launch the Flagship Science Forum and present its Coordination Group
- Explain what is involved in the process of soliciting Pilot Preparatory Actions for FET Flagship initiatives and the specific Call on FET Flagship Pilots that is planned to open end of July 2010.

**Participants will include** high-level representatives of the Commission, National ICT directors or their representatives, related ERA-NETS, high-level researchers, ISTAG FET members, representatives from the EP ITRE committee and CREST. The event will also be open to interested researchers in general.

## Draft Agenda (to be confirmed)

<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2010</b>			
09:30– 10:00	Registration		
10:30 – 10:45	Plenary opening session: Policy directions speeches (Zoran Stancic) FET Flagships Science Forum and the policy component in the FET Flagships process		
10:45 – 11:15	FET Flagships past and current developments Objectives of the two days		
11:15 – 11:35	Coffee break		
11:35 – 13:00	The role of Member States Views from the National ICT Directors' Working Group on FET Flagships		
13:00 – 14:15	Lunch		
14:15 – 15:30	The Online consultation for ideas: Presentation of candidate examples I. Discussion, questions and answers		
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break		
16:00 – 17:15	The Online consultation for ideas: Presentation of candidate examples II. Discussion, questions and answers		
17:15 – 17:30	Conclusions and outline for tomorrow		
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2010</b>			
09:15 – 09:30	Registration		
09:30 – 10:15	Soliciting Coordination Actions for FET Flagship Initiatives: what is involved?		
10:15 – 11:30	Internal working group 1 – Discussion and alliances/brokerage	Internal working group 2 – Discussion and alliances/brokerage	Internal working group 3 – Discussion and alliances/brokerage
11:30 – 11:50	Coffee break		
11:50 – 13:00	Internal working group 1 – Discussion and alliances/brokerage	Internal working group 2 – Discussion and alliances/brokerage	Internal working group 3 – Discussion and alliances/brokerage
13:00 – 14:15	Lunch		
14:15 – 16:15	Reporting back from the groups and discussion. Creation of FET Flagships Science Forum (Terms of Reference) Nomination of the Coordination Group for the FET Flagships Science Forum		
16:15 – 17:00	Outlook on the future and next steps towards launching FET Flagships in 2013		
17:00 – 17:15	Concluding remarks and close		

## Registration

To confirm your participation please send us an email to "[info-fetflag@ec.europa.eu](mailto:info-fetflag@ec.europa.eu)" before 4/6/2010, with your full name, affiliation, ID card number and date of birth, indicating "Confirmed participation for Flagship Workshop June 2010" in the subject line.

## Presentations

If you wish to make a presentation on a specific idea, please make it clear when you register by mentioning its title. Please note that due to practical reasons, there is a limit of 6 slides (we suggest you devote them to Brief description of the idea, Ambition, Impact, Integration, Plausibility and Support). It is imperative that we receive your slides in by 4/6/2010.

Unless you disallow at the time of your registration, your slides will be published on our website after the event.

## Venue (to be confirmed)

- This event will be held in Brussels.  
All details will be made available in due time.

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