

Connecting Research with Industry in Italy & the UK

Programme - Day 1, 18th April, 2007

12 Noon	Buffet lunch in Cranfield Management Development Centre
13:45	<p>Conference Commences</p> <p>Welcome: Prof. Sir John O'Reilly Vice Chancellor, Cranfield University; His Excellence Giancarlo Aragona Italian Ambassador to the UK; Pietro Micheli Italians at Cranfield Association (ItaCA)</p> <p>Introduction to the afternoon:</p> <p>Conference Chairman Richard Arthur Chairman Renaissance Bedford</p>
14:15	<p>Government Perspective</p> <p>Prof. Luigi Nicolais – Minister for Public Administration Reform and Innovation</p> <p>Margaret Hodge - Minister of State for Industry and the Regions</p>
15:00	<p>Industry Perspective</p> <p>Ing. Pasquale Pistorio – Confindustria's Vice-President of Innovation, Research and European links, Honorary President of STMicroelectronics</p> <p>Richard Lambert – Head of Confederation of British Industry</p>
15:45	Coffee Break
16:15	<p>Research Council Perspective</p> <p>Prof. Fabio Pistella – President of CNR (National Research Council of Italy)</p>

	Dr Randal Richards - CEO of Engineering and Physical Science Research Council (EPSRC)
17:00	Policy into Practice: Industry's Experience Ing. Giancarlo Grasso - Executive Vice President & Chief Technology Officer, Finmeccanica Group Jenny Body - R & T Government Relations Manager Airbus
17:45	Summary of the first day & looking forward to tomorrow: Conference Chairman Richard Arthur
	Opportunity to view exhibition stands
19:30 20:00 for 20:30	Meet to travel to Woburn Sculpture Gallery Gala Dinner Carriages from 23:00

Programme - Day 2, 19th April, 2007

08:15	Coffee & pastries in Cranfield Management Development Centre			
9:00	Introduction to the day Conference Chairman Richard Arthur Chairman Renaissance Bedford Plenary session Plenary speech Peter Hedges EPSRC, Programme manager for IMRC UK			
	Stream 1		Stream 2	
	Facilitator: Prof. John Bessant – AIM Senior Fellow, Co-Director Innovation and Productivity Grand Challenge		Facilitator: Prof. John Murphy – Head of University Partnerships, BAESystems	
9:30	UNIVERSITIES	Speaker: Prof. Alberto Grando Director, Bocconi Business School	ADVANCED MECHANICS	Speaker: Dr. Bernie Rickinson CEO, Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining
9:45		Speaker: Prof. Andy Neely Deputy-Director, Advanced Institute of Management Research		Speakers: Dr. Salvatore Timpanaro Scientific Expert, Aster Emilia-Romagna

10:00	ICT	Speaker: Prof. Rodolfo Zich President, Torino Wireless Foundation	AUTOMOTIVE	Speaker: Dr. Ing. Francesco Paolo Ausiello R&D Director, Magneti Marelli Holding Spa
10:15		Speaker: Prof. Andy Hopper Professor of Computer Technology, Cambridge University; Chairman, Co-founder and Director of several companies		Speaker: Dr. Pat Symonds Engineering Director, Renault F1
10:30	Roundtable discussion		Roundtable discussion	
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break			
11:30	BIOMEDICAL	Speaker: Ing. Roberto Siagri President, EuroTech Spa	AERONAUTICS AND DEFENSE	Speaker: Prof. Andrea Aparo Scientific Advisor, Finmeccanica Group
11:45		Speaker: Prof. Joe Lunec Head of Cranfield Health		Speaker: Prof. John Murphy Head of University Partnerships, BAESystems
12:00	ADVANCED	Speaker: Dr. Eva Milella Managing Director, IMAST Technological District	AEROSPACE	Speaker: Ing. Ludovico Vecchione Manager of Aeronautical Ground Testing Facilities, CIRA (Italian Aerospace Research Centre)

12:15	Speaker: Dr. David Rimmer Director, Optic Technium	Speaker: Howard Chesterton Executive Director, West of England Aerospace Forum
12:30	Roundtable discussion	Roundtable discussion
13:15	Lunch	
14:15	Summary of the proceedings: Conference Chairman Richard Arthur Wrap-up and close of the conference	
15:15	Optional visit to Cranfield University Facilities	