

Bridging the Development Gap: Sustainable Growth in Information and Communication Technologies and Hi-tech through Education



American University of Armenia, November 20-23, 2007

Tuesday, 20 November 2007

- 12:00-12:45 Registration
12:45-13:15 Orientation
13:15-13:30 **H.E. Minister Nerses Yeritsyan**
Ministry of Trade and Economic Development
13:30-14:30 **Dr. Michael Baranick**
National Defense University, USA
14:30-14:45 Break
14:45-15:35 **Mr. Armen Matosyan**
UN Global Compact
15:35-16:35 **Informal Session**
Mr. Gagik Evoyan, Hylink JSC
Mr. Gagik Karapetyan, CIT Ltd.
Mr. Arthur Lalayan SolarEn, LLC
16:35-17:55 **Ambassadorial Panel**
H.E. Ambassador Wahid Galal (Egypt)
H.E. Ambassador Tomasz Knothe (Poland)
H.E. Ambassador Serge Smessow (France)
H.E. Ambassador Joseph Pennington (USA)
17:55-18:15 Coffee Break
18:15-19:30 Breakout Session 1

Thursday, 22 November 2007

- 13:00-14:00 Breakout Session 3
14:00-15:20 **Corporate Panel**
Mr. Bagrat Yengibaryan, EIF
Mr. Vazgen Melikyan, Synopsys
Mr. Grigor Barseghyan, Microsoft
Mr. Aram Salatyan, National Instruments
15:20-15:35 Coffee Break
15:35-17:00 **Educational Panel**
Ms. Mariam Martyrosian, Project Harmony
Mr. Martin Minassian, AUA
Ms. Arina Zohrabyan, IREX
17:00-18:00 **Informal Session**
Mr. Ares Hovhanessyan, Adobe
Ms. Gayane Dalakyan, Sourcio
Mr. Levon Galstyan, e-Armenia Foundation
18:00-20:00 Breakout Session 4

Wednesday, 21 November 2007

- 13:00-14:00 **Mr. Bagrat Yengibaryan**
Enterprise Incubator Foundation
14:00-15:00 **Mrs. Caroline Schwab**
World Intellectual Property Organization
15:00-15:20 Coffee Break
15:20-16:20 **H.E. Ambassador Renate Stille**
Embassy of Brazil to Armenia
16:20-17:40 **Educational Panel**
Dr. Aram Hajian, AUA
Dr. Artak, Hambarian, AUA
Ms. Nune Voskanyan, Ministry of Education and Science
17:40-18:00 Break
18:00-19:30 Breakout Session 2

Friday, 23 November 2007

- 9:00-10:00 Breakout Session 5
10:00-10:40 **Participant Panel 1**
Incorporation of IT in higher education
10:40-11:00 Coffee Break
11:00-11:40 **Participant Panel 2**
Private sector challenges and potential university partnerships
11:40-12:10 **Participant Panel 3**
International Community's role in assisting IT development
12:10-12:50 **Participant Panel 4**
IT development, education, and the role of young people
12:50-13:10 Coffee Break
13:10-13:50 **Summary Resolution**
13:50-14:10 **Mr. Hayley Alexander, USAID**
14:10-14:30 Conclusion
14:30-16:30 Closing Reception