



RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND THE ROLE OF UNIVERSITIES

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Conference room - Main Building
Intercollege, Nicosia

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| 17.00 – 17.30 | <i>Registration</i> |
| 17.30 – 17.35 | <i>Opening by the Chair</i>
Professor Andreas Theophanous
<i>Director General, Research Center - Intercollege</i> |
| 17.35 – 17.45 | <i>The EU policy context</i>
Rob Fenn
<i>Deputy High Commissioner, British High Commission</i> |
| 17.45 – 18.00 | <i>The Cyprus context</i>
Dr Andreas Moleskis
<i>Permanent Secretary, Planning Bureau</i> |
| 18.00 – 18.30 | <i>Promoting competitiveness: the UK's Technology Strategy</i>
Allan Mayo
<i>Deputy Director, Markets and Technology Analysis Unit, DTI</i> |
| 18.30 – 19.00 | <i>Key factors for successful technology transfer – University of Oxford as an example</i>
Dr Sarah Macnaughton
<i>Isis Enterprise, UK</i> |
| 19.00 – 19.30 | <i>Discussion</i> |
| 19.30 – 20.00 | Reception |

Speakers' Biographies

Dr Sarah Macnaughton

Dr Macnaughton completed her PhD in Microbial Ecology at the University of Newcastle in 1992. After three years in post-doctoral research at Newcastle she became the senior researcher at a US environmental analysis business. Following this she joined the Centre for Environmental Biotechnology at the University of Tennessee before moving back to the UK in 2000 to join AEA Technology Environment and its Momenta operating division. At Momenta Dr Macnaughton worked on a number of projects including research into bioremediation, management of a UK site for contaminated land research, a review of environmental science and training in the UK and the DTI BLOWISE Programme. Her final role at Momenta was as regional manager on the Knowledge Transfer Partnerships programme. Dr Macnaughton joined Isis Enterprise in October 2006.

Isis Enterprise, established in 2004, offers consulting expertise and advice in technology transfer. Technology transfer includes the management of intellectual property and its transfer from research to commercialisation. Isis Enterprise is a division of **Isis Innovation Ltd**. It offers consulting expertise and advice in technology transfer to clients from the public and private sectors, in the UK and internationally.

Isis Innovation Ltd is the technology transfer company of the University of Oxford. Working with Oxford University researchers, Isis now files one patent application a week on average, has assisted in the formation of more than 40 spin-out companies, negotiated over 200 licence and option agreements, and managed over 100 consulting contracts for University researchers. <http://www.isis-innovation.com/enterprise/index.html>

Allan Mayo

Allan Mayo was responsible for developing the concept of a Technology Strategy in the UK Government's Innovation Report (published in December 2003), and is now advising the business led Technology Strategy Board on its implementation. In particular, he advised the Board on its 2005 Annual Report, and prepared the "Developing UK Capability" document which was recently published (www.dti.gov.uk/technologystrategy) and sets out priorities for technology development.

He is an industrial economist by background, and his interest in developing communities of interest in technology stems from his work on technological innovation over the past 20 years, which includes co-ordination of UK policy on European research programmes and responsibility for developing the DTI's international technology service, Global Watch.

Dr. Andreas Moleskis

Dr Andreas Moleskis was born in 1948. He studied Economics at the University of Athens and followed post-graduate studies in India and the U.K. He got his doctorate in Manpower Planning at the University of UMIST in U.K. He worked at the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Tourism, at the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance, and at the Department of Labour. In 1988 he started working at the Secretariat of the Council of Ministers and since March 2003 he has been appointed as the Secretary of the Council of Ministers. As of 2004 he has been appointed to the post of the Permanent Secretary of the Planning Bureau. He is also the Chairman of the Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation and Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cyprus Development Bank.