



From Research to Development – Mutual Learning for Change

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University of Lugano

The Annual Conference of the KFPE – Swiss Commission
for Research Partnerships with Developing Countries
in collaboration with NewMinE – New Media in Education
Lab of the Università della Svizzera italiana (USI Lugano)

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Focus of the Conference

Research partnerships with developing and transition countries strive to contribute to sustainable development and to improve the living conditions of the populations in these countries. Implementation of new knowledge and research results into practice or policy – or up-scaling of successful research projects therefore lies at the core of such projects and remains a major challenge.

The Annual Conference of the KFPE will present case studies from research partnership projects that generated new knowledge and that also demonstrate how results can be implemented and applied. Implementation of research results and exchange with various stakeholders will be the main focus of the conference.

The case studies presented at the conference will include direct video connections to partners in developing and transition countries to give them a chance to present their experience and to talk about factors that enable or enhance implementation, or about factors that hinder the application of research results.

Posters

Posters will be presented mainly during lunchtime (between 12:00 and 13:00) but will be on display throughout the conference. Persons that exhibit a poster will be present at the conference. Also the posters have a clear focus on implementation of research results.



Programme

- 11.30 Open for registration
- 12.00 Standing lunch and poster presentation
- Chair:** Lorenzo Cantoni
Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Communication Sciences, USI
- 13.10 **Welcome and introduction**
Piero Martinoli, President of the Università della Svizzera italiana, USI
Bertil Cottier, Dean of the Faculty of Communication Sciences
Marcel Tanner, Co-president of the KFPE
- 13.30 **One health – Integrated human and animal health approaches**
Mahamat Béchir, Swiss Tropical Institute with Bassirou Bonfoh
in Côte d'Ivoire, Director of the Centre Suisse de Recherches
Scientifiques and Regional Coordinator of the NCCR North-South in
West Africa
- 14.00 **Water users associations as triggers for knowledge-based
basin management in Kenya**
Urs Wiesmann, Director CDE and NCCR North-South, University of
Berne with Boniface Kiteme in Kenya, Regional Coordinator of the
NCCR North-South in East Africa
- 14.30 **Biosolar-Detox: Disinfection and elimination of pollutants
with solar light**
Cesar Pulgarin, EPF Lausanne with Fiderman Machuca and José
Colina, Universidad del Valle (Univalle), Cali Colombia
- 15.00 Mauro Dell'Ambrogio, State Secretary for Education and Research
- 15.20 **Final Remarks**
Marcel Tanner, co-president of the KFPE
- 15.30 **Introducing new KFPE online communication and
collaboration tools**
L. Cantoni, Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Communication Sciences
- 15.45 Apéro
- 17.00 Meeting between FOSIT – Federazione delle ONG della Svizzera
Italiana – and the Higher Education Institutions of the Tessin

Further information

Venue

Auditorium, Corpo Centrale
Università della Svizzera italiana
Via Buffi 13
6900 Lugano



On foot: take the funicular from the station to “Piazza Cioccaro” and then head east toward “Via Pretorio” (which then becomes “Viale Franscini”) until you reach via “Giuseppe Buffi”; turn right and proceed to the University.

By bus: take the funicular from the station to “Piazza Cioccaro”, then follow the street with porticoes until you reach the central bus station. Take either bus no. 5 “Viganello” (get off at “Ospedale italiano”) or no. 3 “Pregassona” (get off at “Sacro Cuore”). Both stops are at a minute’s walk from the University.

At 12.00, a bus to the KFPE conference venue will be waiting in front of the train station.

Registration requested until 19 October 2009

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