

## FEAST 4: Networking for Excellence

17-18 June 2003

Shine Dome – Canberra, Australia

On 17 – 18 June 2003, the *Forum for European-Australian S&T cooperation (FEAST)* will hold a conference to promote scientific interchange and policy discussion between Australia and Europe.

The Hon Peter McGauran MP, the Australian Federal Minister for Science will open the conference and eminent speakers from around Australia and Europe will be in attendance. The aims of the conference are to increase awareness of the state-of-play in research in Australia and Europe, facilitate joint research projects and provide commentary on the state of Australia-European research collaboration.

The focus of the conference will be:

- the forms and capabilities of networks;
- how research priorities will shape excellent science;
- the role of international exchange in training and development; and
- the social responsibility of science.

The fields that will be covered are:

- agriculture and sustainable development;
- the role of ICT in science;
- life sciences, genomics and biotechnology for health; and
- nanotechnology and nanosciences.

The content of the conference makes it ideal for:

- leading public and private researchers engaged in, or looking to encourage, international cooperation;
- public and private sector researchers looking to extend their networks; and
- all researchers and policy makers interested in current issues in science.

You can now register for the Networking for Excellence conference. The registration fee on or **before Friday 23 May 2003** will be AUD 250 (approx EURO 150). Registrations received after 23 May will incur a late registration fee of AUD 270 (approx EURO 160).

For more information on the conference and for the registration form please visit the website: <http://www.feast.org/feast4.html> or send an e-mail to [info@feast.org](mailto:info@feast.org)

This conference is being supported by the Federal Department of Education, Science and Training, the National Europe Centre, the European Commission the Member State missions of the European Union in Australia and the Australian Academy of Science.

FEAST aims to increase bilateral and multilateral S&T cooperation between Australian and European researchers. It assists individuals and organisations undertaking or considering Australian-European S&T activities by providing a unique gateway for information and partner search. To find out more about FEAST, or to register for our free services, please visit our website: [www.feast.org](http://www.feast.org).

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## Networking for Excellence Draft Programme

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Time	Sessions	Location
<i>Monday 16 June</i>		
1700	<i>Pre-Conference Registration</i>	AAS Shine Dome
1730	<b>The National Launch of FEAST- France</b>	
1900	<b>Welcome Reception</b>	
<i>Tuesday 17 June</i> <b>Conference DAY 1</b>		
0900	<b>Opening</b> <i>Speakers</i> Chair Address (tbc) Australia: The Hon Peter McGauran MP, Australian Federal Minister for Science Europe: H.E. Mr. Fotios-Jean Xydas, Greek Ambassador	Main Auditorium
0930	<b>Plenary Session 1 Networking for Excellence – The future for Science</b> <i>Speakers</i> Australia: Professor Greg Tegart AM FTSE FIE - Aust Visiting Fellow, National Europe Centre Europe: Mike Rogers, Head of Unit of Technology Foresight, European Commission (tbc)	Main Auditorium
1030	Morning Tea	Foyer
1100	<b>Plenary Session 2 Research Priorities – Putting Policy into Practice</b> <i>Speakers</i> Australia: Chief Scientist Robin Batterham (tbc) Europe: Mr L Bellemin – Head of Unit International Division, European Commission (tbc) General Discussion (20 mins)	Main Auditorium
1200	<b>Plenary Session 3 The Social Responsibility of Science</b> <i>Speakers</i> Australia: Dr Clive Hamilton – Executive Director, The Australia Institute (tbc) Europe: <i>(available)</i>	Main Auditorium
1300	Lunch	Foyer
1400	<b>Plenary Session 4 Bilateral Engagement – Why and How?</b> Australia: Australian Government representative Europe: Austria: Harald Hochreiter – Technologie Impulse Gesellschaft (TIG) (tbc) Germany: Professor Ittekot (tbc) France: Deputy Director of Technology, Ministry of Research (tbc) Italy: (tbc) Romania: (tbc) <i>(spaces available)</i>	Main Auditorium
1530	Afternoon Tea	Foyer

