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# EU/US RESEARCH AND EDUCATION WORKSHOP

Atlanta

**Internationalization of Research and Graduate Studies  
and its Implications in the Transatlantic Context**

In an increasingly globalized economy, science careers are becoming increasingly international and the marketplace for science and technology talents goes beyond national boundaries. Universities and research institutes worldwide are addressing these developments by setting-up exchange programs, double and/or joint degrees as well as foreign campuses. Several EU-US cooperation schemes are already promoting the training and mobility of researchers and are likely to be developed further in the future. The workshop aims to address issues relating to the internalization of research and higher education.

## CONTENT

The central part of the workshop will be dedicated to discussions in four parallel groups. In addition there will be plenary sessions with keynote lectures and a final concluding session. The central themes to be discussed are:

- How to stimulate the development of transatlantic degrees that would attract more talented young people into science careers?
- What innovative curricula are needed to prepare the next generation of scientists and engineers to engage into global R&D careers?
- What scientist mobility schemes can best contribute to the building of lasting transatlantic networks of excellence?
- How the transatlantic mobility of scientists can best contribute to innovation in a global context?

**PARTICIPANTS** will include scientists with own experience of research stay abroad, and research leaders and policy-makers at universities, research institutes, companies, ministries, agencies, and research promotion organizations concerned with international exchange of researchers. The total number of participants is estimated at around 200 persons.

Confirmed participants include:

Nobel prize winner P. Agre • Johns Hopkins University  
B. Belloc • Adviser to French President Sarkozy  
J. Chambaz • University Pierre and Marie Curie  
N. Federoff • U.S. Department of State  
G. Kalonji • University of California  
L. Leijonborg • Swedish Minister for Education and Research  
J. McIntyre • Georgia Tech  
P. Omling • Swedish Research Council  
R. Verko • Slovenian Ministry of Science and Education  
I. Wilhelm • Czech Council for R&D

## ORGANIZERS

The workshop is organized by the French Presidency of the European Union in cooperation with the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Department of Education, the National Science Foundation, the Georgia Institute of Technology, the Delegation of the EC, the French, Czech, Slovenian and Swedish Embassies and the other 23 EU Embassies in Washington.

**If you are interested in attending, please send your 100-word application with subject line ATLANTA 2008 to: [DELEGATION-USA-RSVP@ec.europa.eu](mailto:DELEGATION-USA-RSVP@ec.europa.eu) or visit: <http://www.dlpe.gatech.edu/EUUS-Workshop/>**

