

**ELLS Conference
The Future of ELLS Programmes:
From Master to Bachelor and PhD**

University of Hohenheim, November 6/7 2009

OFFICIAL SCHEDULE

Venue: Congress Hall (Aula) and Seminar Rooms at Hohenheim Palace

NOTE: Locations of all meetings are indicated in Annex 1. "Venues and Room Location"

Thursday: 5 November 2009

Student Scientific Conference	
Time for meetings of ELSA, Subject Areas and Support Teams	
18:00	Reception for all participants of the Scientific Student Conference (buffet dinner)
19:30	Students party at Thomas-Müntzer-Scheuer (organized by International Student Organisation ISO)

Friday: 6 November 2009

10:00 – 13:00	Registration (for participants not attending the SSC)
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 14.15	Welcome by Hans-Peter Liebig (Rector of Host University) Opening of the Conference by Barbara Hinterstoisser (repr. Chair of ELLS Board)
14.15 – 15.15	"Everything You Need to Know about Qualifications Frameworks, Competences and Learning Outcomes!" Keynote by Declan Kennedy
15.15 – 15.30	Qualification and Learning Outcomes: Practice at Wageningen University Jan Steen (WUR)
15.30 – 16.15	Panel Discussion: The Future of ELLS Programmes: Qualification Frameworks and ELLS Curricula at Various Levels Moderation: Eva Ortvold Erichsen (ELSA, LIFE) Panel: Declan Kennedy, Per Holten-Andersen (Board, LIFE), Pim Brascamp (TF, WUR), Agnieszka Wojciechowska (IRO, SGGW), Michal Lošták (SA, CULS), Ulrich Haas (QA, UHOH), Anja Pedersen (ELSA, SLU)
16.15 – 16.45	Coffee Break
16.45 – 18.00	Presentations of Subject Areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety in the Food Chain (Silvia Apprich) • Spatial Planning (Adri van den Brink) • Environmental Sciences (Bjarne W. Strobel) • Economics and Management (Michal Lošták) • Insect Ecology (Johannes Steidle) • Organic Agriculture (Sabine Zikeli)
19.30	ELLS Dinner Including ELLS Award Ceremony by Barbara Hinterstoisser (repr. Chair of ELLS Board)

Saturday: 7 November 2009

8:30 – 10:00	Joint ELLS Board & Task Force/IRO Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of the Minutes of the last Board & TF Meeting in Brussels • Presentation of the results of the TF-Desktop-Meeting • Presentation of the Plan of Operation 2010 • Presentations of the Board Members on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ new study programmes ○ the internationalisation strategy ○ the alumni activities ○ the development plan (where do ELLS partners want to be in 10 years from now) of each ELLS university • AOB 		
10:00 – 10.30	Coffee Break		
10:30 – 12:00	BOARD MEETING <i>(Chairperson: Barbara Hinterstoisser)</i> Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time for general discussion / information/ exchange among Board Members • Minutes of last Board Meeting in Brussels • Discussion on updates of official documents: MoU, Policy document • Approval ELSA bylaws Discussion and decisions on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan of Operations • Strategy for an associated membership • Final Approval SA Health & Nutrition and Spatial Planning • Discussion on the next ELLS Chair • New Master programme "Organic Land Use Systems and Organic Food Chains" • Discussion "Outcome of the ELLS Conference" • AOB 	TASK FORCE/IRO MEETING <i>(Chairperson: Walter Wenzel)</i> Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on opportunities for ELLS within the European Qualification Framework • Approval minutes of the TF/IRO Desktop Meeting • Discussion on the tentative programme for the ELLS Conference 2010 • Discussion on the tentative programme of the ELLS Student Conference 2010 • Discussion on ELSA's role in the SSC) • Location for ELLS Spring Meetings 2010/11 • Summer schools 2010 • BSc proposal: presentation "Summer School Appendix" • Marketing • AOB 	Time for meetings of ELSA, Subject Area Groups and Support Teams
12:00 – 13:00	Joint ELLS Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on outcomes of the Board & Task Force/IRO Meeting • Concluding remarks • AOB 		
13:00 – 4:00	Lunch Buffet END OF THE MEETING		

Keynote Speaker

Declan Kennedy MSc, MEd, PhD, HDipEd, FICI

Declan Kennedy graduated from University College Cork with a BSc in Chemistry, a Postgraduate Diploma in Education and an MSc in X-ray crystallography. He subsequently studied science education at the University of York, England and graduated with a Masters Degree in Education and a PhD in Education. He spent over 20 years teaching science in Colaiste Muire Secondary School, Cobh, Co Cork. He was appointed lecturer in science education at University College Cork in 1998 and was promoted to senior lecturer in 2006. He is the programme co-ordinator of the Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Science), Masters Degree in Science Education, BSc in Science Education and the Postgraduate Certificate/Diploma in Primary Science at University College Cork. Also, he is a lecturer on the Postgraduate Certificate/Diploma in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education where his specialist topic is the area of Learning Outcomes. He is external examiner for the University of Brunel, London, England. He is the Irish representative on the OECD science committee for the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) and also serves on the PISA National Committee of Ireland. He has written several science textbooks and numerous journal articles in the field of Education. At present, he is very involved in helping colleagues in various third level institutions in Ireland and other countries prepare for the introduction of learning outcomes. He regularly speaks at conferences in Ireland and abroad and organises many workshops in the area of education.