



Agenda of the ASREN Founders Meeting  
Arab League Headquarters, Cairo, Egypt, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of December 2010

Held under the patronage of the Secretary General of the League of Arab States  
***His Excellency Mr. Amro Mosa***

And The Chairman of ASREN *Mr. Talal Abu-Ghazaleh*

Day 1: Wednesday, December 8, 2010	
09:00 am	ASREN Members registration
09.30 am – 10:30 am	<b>ASREN Board meeting (closed to members and invited)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ratifications of board positions, committee chairs and CEO hiring</li> <li>• Strategic plan and network transition plan approval</li> </ul> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">*Note: HE SG may join the board meeting in the last 15 minutes for briefing</p>
10:00 am	Registration all participants
10.30 am – 11:45 am	<b>Opening ceremony</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome message: ASREN Chairman Talal Abu-Ghazaleh</li> <li>• Secretary General of the Arab Universities Dr. Saleh Hashem (TBC)</li> <li>• HE Marc FRANCO - Ambassador / Head of the Delegation, Delegation to the Arab Republic to Egypt Dr Kostas Glinos – European Commission DG Information Society and Media</li> <li>• HE Dr Tarek KAMEL - Minister of Communications and Information Technology (TBC)</li> <li>• <b>Secretary General of the Arab league, HE Amro Mosa</b></li> </ul>
11.45 am– 12.15 pm	Press Conference/ Coffee Break
12.15 pm 12.45 pm	<b>Session 1: Keynote address</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>TATA name/theme to be advised</i></li> </ul>
12.45pm - 1.30 pm	<b>Session 2: ASREN Strategic Plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>ASREN Chief Executive Officer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ASREN Strategic plan 2012-2015</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ <i>ASREN Head of technical committee</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Assuming and Building ASREN infrastructure</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
01.30 pm – 03.00 pm	Lunch
03.00 pm – 05.00 pm	<b>Session 3: User Perspectives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>NREN or Research rep: Collaborative projects / Grid computing applications: Federico Ruggieri INFN</i></li> <li>○ <i>Pannels: applications and achievement enabled by research networks</i></li> </ul> <b>Session 4: NREN Perspectives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>EU NREN/ Networks and collaboration David West DANTE</i></li> <li>○ <i>NREN panel discussion (EUN, Ankabut, ARN, GRNET and RED.ES)</i></li> </ul>
5:45 pm – 05.15 pm	Closing remarks by ASREN Chairman
08.00 pm - 09.00 pm	Reception at the residence of the HE Marc FRANCO - Ambassador / Head of the Delegation, Delegation to the Arab Republic to Egypt



## Day 2: Thursday, December 9, 2010

09.30 am – 11:00 am	<b>ASREN Board meeting (continued, closed for ASREN members only or special invitation)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic plan implementation details review</li> <li>• Funding and finances</li> <li>• Secretariat hosting/HQ Content/agreements</li> <li>• CEO and staff hiring</li> </ul>
11.00 am – 11.30 am	Coffee Break
11.30 am – 02.00 pm	<b>ASREN Technical Committee (closed for ASREN members only or special invitation)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Network and e-infrastructure Management Transition from DANTE to ASREN.</li> <li>• Tendering Connectivity, Expanding and reorganizing topology</li> <li>• Network Operation Centre</li> <li>• Capacity Building activities</li> </ul>
02.00 pm – 03.30 pm	Lunch
03.30 pm – 05.00 pm	<b>ASREN Science and Research Committee (open session for ASREN members and all interested)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review and approval of S&amp;R committee terms of reference</li> <li>• S&amp;R committee organization and membership</li> <li>• Planning S&amp;R committee activities</li> </ul>
05.00 pm – 06.00 pm	<b>Cross-fertilization and networking meeting with AROQA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AROQA presentation for ASREN members</li> <li>• ASREN presentation for AROQA members</li> <li>• Debate and exchange: how to cross fertilize research networking and academic excellence efforts</li> </ul>
06.00 pm – 6.30 pm	<b>Closing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASREN Board Chair</li> </ul>

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