

# **EAMBES FP7 White Paper Workshop on Biomedical Engineering**

**Warsaw, March 2-3, 2007**

## **INVITATION**

On behalf of the European Alliance for Medical and Biological Engineering and Science (EAMBES) and the International Centre of Biocybernetics Polish Academy of Science (ICB) we are honored to invite you kindly to take part in the 91<sup>st</sup> ICB Seminar on “**EAMBES FP7 White Paper Workshop on Biomedical Engineering**”.

The Seminar will be held in Warsaw from March 2<sup>nd</sup> till March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2007 at the premises of the ICB.

### **Aim**

EAMBES was created to speak with one voice on behalf of the European biomedical engineering community. Its membership comprises most of the European national biomedical engineering societies, as well as a representative number of transnational societies and academic institutes.

To contribute to the discussion related to FP 7 EAMBES has taken the initiative to launch a White Paper that highlights the importance of biomedical engineering to contribute to the objectives of the European Commission to reinforce Europe as a knowledge based society. The White Paper (downloadable from the EAMBES website [www.eambes.org](http://www.eambes.org); documents) was disseminated widely within the European Commission and other policy making organizations. Update meetings are organized at regular intervals.

The White Paper meeting of March 2-3 will update the document in view of the current and future calls in FP 7. Specific interaction with colleagues from Central and Eastern European countries is aimed at. The workshop is expected to have a significant impact on the details of the forthcoming calls.

### **Format**

The format of the meeting will consist of plenary presentations and discussions with delegates. Lectures will be delivered by **speakers from the European Commission, EAMBES and Eucomed**, a federation of the medical technology industry in Europe. Input from the delegates is possible in plenary discussions and working group discussions.

The provisional timetable is as follows:

#### **Friday March 2, 2007**

12am - 1pm: Get Together and Lunch\*

1pm: Opening Addresses and Plenary Presentations

3pm: Coffee break\*

3.30 pm: Questions and Answers in plenary group

5.30 pm: End

8pm: *Dinner at Jablonna palace\*\**

**Saturday March 3, 2007**

9am: Working in smaller groups on details of EAMBES White Paper (Health, ICT, Nano)

10.30am: Coffee break\*

11am: Reporting in plenary group and discussion

12am: Lunch and farewell\*

\* Free of charge

\*\* Cost 35 – 40 Euro. Departure from the Institute by bus at 7:00 p.m.

**Hotel Information**

Organizers of the seminar would like to offer you accommodation in selected Warsaw hotels, located close to the Seminar venue as well as close to the International Airport, at very competitive prices in five categories. To make reservation please contact directly selected hotels using postscript: "EAMBES" .

Hotel	Category	Single room	Double room	Contact
Jan III Sobieski**	****	77 / 105 Euro	89 / 117 Euro	1 Plac Zawiszy, 02-025 Warsaw, Poland Phone: +48 22 579 10 25, +48 22 579 10 28 Fax: +48 22 659 88 28, +48 22 658 13 66 E-mail: <a href="mailto:hotel@sobieski.com.pl">hotel@sobieski.com.pl</a> Web: <a href="http://www.sobieski.com.pl">http://www.sobieski.com.pl</a>
Premiere Classe	*	55 Euro	60 Euro	2 Towarowa str., 00-811 Warsaw, Poland Phone: +48 22 624 08 00 Fax: +48 22 620 26 29 E-mail: <a href="mailto:warszawa@premiereclasse.com.pl">warszawa@premiereclasse.com.pl</a> Web: <a href="http://www.campanile.com.pl/waw_pc_eng.html">http://www.campanile.com.pl/waw_pc_eng.html</a>
Hotel IBiB (at the seminar site)	-	35 / 40 Euro	45 / 50 Euro	4 Trojdena str., 02-109 Warsaw, Poland Phone: + 48 22 668 50 17 Fax: + 48 22 658 28 71 E-mail: <a href="mailto:hotel@ibib.waw.pl">hotel@ibib.waw.pl</a> Web: <a href="http://www.ibib.waw.pl/konferencje-hotel">http://www.ibib.waw.pl/konferencje-hotel</a>
Hotel IBB (next to the seminar site)	-	45 Euro	50 Euro	4 Trojdena str., 02-109 Warsaw, Poland Phone: + 48 22 668 50 17 Fax: + 48 22 658 28 71 E-mail: <a href="mailto:hotel@ibib.waw.pl">hotel@ibib.waw.pl</a>

\*\*Lower rates apply for weekends (including Friday) and the higher - for the working days.

The above rates include one overnight stay and breakfast (incl. VAT).

Please note that the number of rooms in each hotel is limited and because of this please make reservation as soon as possible.

**The deadline for reservation under the stated above conditions is 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2007.**

## Practical details

### WORKSHOP LOCATION

The address of the seminar office and seminar site is as follows:

International Centre of Biocybernetics,  
Księcia Trojdena st.4, 02 109 Warsaw, Poland  
Tel.: (+48 22) 658 2877, Fax: (+48 22) 658 2872

### ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Warsaw is easily accessible by air, rail, or road. From the airport, Seminar place and hotels can be easily reached in twenty / thirty minutes by taxi (cost 5 - 10 Euro) or public transport (bus no. 175).

### CURRENCY AND CREDIT CARDS

The currency unit in Poland is the Polish Zloty (PLN) which is subdivided into 100 grosze. The current exchange rate to Euro and US Dollar can be checked at <http://www.oanda.com/converter/classic> (choose PLN as the Polish currency code). In January 2007 it is about 3.9 PLN for 1 Euro. Delegates may change foreign currency and travelers checks at several banks located in the center of the city as well as in many exchange bureaus, at the railway station, at the airport or in many others places. International credit cards are accepted in many hotels, restaurants, cash machines and shops.

### CLIMATE

The weather in March in Warsaw is usually cold. The average daytime temperature varies from -5 degrees to 5 degrees of Celsius. The weather forecast can be checked at <http://meteo.icm.edu.pl/index2eng.php>

In case you have accepted our invitation we would be obliged for getting your response as soon as possible on e-mail address: [Jan.Wojcicki@ibib.waw.pl](mailto:Jan.Wojcicki@ibib.waw.pl)

Yours sincerely,

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