

9th European Conference of Members of Parliaments of Europe on Information and Communication Technologies

Lisbon, 19 – 20 March 2007



Simplifying the Complex

- Creating the space for complex political topics on the Web -

Conference Languages: English, French, Portuguese

Monday March 19th, 2007

<i>Time</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
14:15	Buses leave the hotels	
14:30-15:00	Registration	
15:00 - 15:10	Opening speech	Jaime Gama President of the Assembly of the Republic
15:10 - 15:20	Welcome & conference information	Adelina de Sá Carvalho Secretary General of the Assembly of the Republic
15:20 – 15:35	Welcome by the Chairman	José Lello, MP President of the Board of the Assembly of the Republic, President of NATO Parliamentary Assembly
	Summary of the previous conference	Jiri Oberfalzer, MP Chairperson of the Standing Senate Commission on Media, Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic
15:35 – 16:00	Experts' view: Reflections on effective political communications	Bridie Nathanson EPRI knowledge project
16:00 – 16:25	Parliaments' view: Closer to the citizens - The Brazilian Chamber of Deputies internet based services	Luiz António Eira Parliamentary Expert, Camara dos Deputados - Brazil
16:25 – 16:50	Parliaments' view: From paper to full electronic legislative procedure in the Assembly of the Republic	João Viegas Head of IT Department, Assembly of the Republic
16:50 – 17:00	Open discussion	
17:00 – 17:30	Coffee break	
17:30 - 17:55	Experts' view: Democracy in the Knowledge-Based Society; Communication and Participation	Prof. Carlos Zorrinho National Coordinator of the Lisbon Strategy and the Technological Plan, Professor of the Department of Business Administration, University of Évora
17:55-18:20	Parliaments' view: Bridging the Information Gap: Parliamentary Transparency and the New Media	Dr. Günther Schefbeck Head of Department „Parliamentary documentation, archives and statistics of the Austrian parliamentary

		Administration”, Secretary of the Science Committee and the Committee on Research, Innovation and Technology of the Austrian National Council, President of the Section of Archives and Archivists of Parliaments and Political Parties in the International Council on Archives
18:20 - 18:45	Open discussion and Closure of the 1 st Day	
18:45 - 19:30	Tour through the Palace of S. Bento	(Optional)
20:15	Buses leave the hotels	
20:30	Dinner hosted by the Assembly of the Republic	

Tuesday March 20th, 2007

<i>Time</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Speaker</i>
08:30	Buses leave the hotels	
08:45 - 09:00	Coffee	
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome by the Chairman	Jan Mücke, MP German Bundestag
	Update on the EPRI project	Marco Langhof Project Coordinator EPRI
09:15 - 09:40	Experts’ view: Communicating with constituents: Plain language on the web	Dr. Annetta Cheek ALC Plain Language Associates, former chief plain language expert on Vice President Al Gore’s National Partnership for Reinventing Government, former Executive Assistant to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration
09:40 - 10:05	Parliaments’ view: Usability and Contents of Chamber of Deputies website	Carlo Simonelli Head of Unit - ICT Department, Camera dei deputati, Italy
10:05 - 10:30	Parliaments’ view: Developing Democracy? IT is not enough, but it sure helps!	Christer Winbäck, MP IT Manager Member of Committee on Transport and Communications, Swedish Parliament
10:30 - 10:45	Open discussion	
10:45 - 11:00	Photo Session	
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 - 11:40	Experts’ view: Presentation of innovative eParticipation schemes aiming at enhancing policy making	Vasilis Koulolias Founder and Executive Director of Gov2u, Greece
11:40 - 12:05	Parliaments’ view: How the e-parliament supports the MP’s work	Eszter Kertész-Gérecz Head of IT Department,

		National Assembly of the Hungarian Republic
12:05 - 13:00	Panel Discussion	Klemens Gutmann (moderator) Chairman of the Telecommunications Committee of the German Chambers of Industry and Commerce (DIHK) in Berlin
13:00 - 13:10	Summary and conclusions by the Chairman	Jan Mücke, MP German Bundestag
13:10 - 13:20	Closure by the Chairman	Jan Mücke, MP German Bundestag
13:20 - 15:00	Lunch	
15:30 - 18:00	Optional: Guided City Tour	