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Round Table on The Role of UNESCO in the Construction of Knowledge Societies
through the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme Tunis
18 November 2005

Provisional Agenda

Friday, 18 November, 2005, 9:00 a.m. - 13:00 p.m., Salle Saint Augustin

Morning Session 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

9.00-9.20 Opening session (Moderator: Mr. Georges Haddad, Director, Division
of Higher Education)

Mr. Koichiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO

9.20-10.15 First Session

- Election of Chairperson and Rapporteur;
- Presentations of the main working document:
The Role of Higher Education in the Construction
of Knowledge Societies: Challenges for UNESCO by Dr Abdalla Bibtana;
- Presentation on the International ORBICOM Network of UNESCO
Chairs in Information and Communication Technologies by
Prof. Claude- Yves Charron! Alain Modoux;
- Presentation by Mr Peter Smith, Assistant Director-General for
Education

10.15 - 10.30 Discussions

Second Session 10.30 12.30

10.30- 11.30 Presentations on the Role of UNESCO Chairs in the Construction
of Knowledge Societies from Regional Perspectives:

- Africa region by Prof. Ruth Elizabeth Teer Tomaselli;
- Arab States region by Prof. Jamal Eddine Naji
- Asia and the Pacific region by Prof. Anna Haebich
- Central and Eastern Europe region by Professor Yuli kashinsky

- Western Europe and North America region by Prof. Rainer Kuhlen
- Latin America and the Caribbean region by Prof. Lourdes Feria Basurto
- Presentation by Mr Abdul Wahed Khan, Assistant Director-General for Communication

11.30- 12.30

General discussions

- Presentation of the oral report
- Closing remarks by Mr P. Smith, ADG/ED