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EXTERNAL RELATIONS DIRECTORATE GENERAL

DIRECTORATE Crisis Platform and Policy Coordination in CFSP
The Director

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Dear Madame, Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to invite you to a conference that the Commission is organising entitled “*From early warning to early Action - Developing the EU's Response to Crisis and longer term Threats*”, (Brussels, Charlemagne Building 12-13 November 2007).

The conference is intended to generate ideas on how to strengthen the European Union's capacity to respond to short term crises and long term threats.

The conference will also look at the development of peace building partnerships and will analyse the role that technology and science can play in post-disaster/post-conflict assessments.

A report of the conference proceedings will be issued and participants are invited to submit contributions for inclusion in this compendium.

The conference will take place in Charlemagne Building, Rue de la Loi 170, Brussels. You can register for the conference on-line

<https://webgate.cec.eu.int/fmi/iwp/cqi?-db=stabinst07&-loadframes>

In the attached Practical Information Note you will find further details. A further set of documents (including the conference agenda, background paper etc.) will be sent to you after registration.

I very much hope you will be able to attend.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Wright

CONFERENCE

*“From early warning to early Action -
Developing the EU’s Response to Crisis and longer term Threats”*

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

Date

12-13 November 2007 starting at 8.30 am

Conference venue

Charlemagne Building
Rue de la Loi, 170
B-1049 Brussels - Belgium

How to reach the Charlemagne Building?

Metro station Schuman: Line 1A or 1B
Bus station Schuman: Line 12 from Zaventem Airport
and 21, 22, 28, 36

Welcome Desk

The Welcome Desk will be available to participants on 14 November from 8.00 am until the end of the conference.

Registration

Participants are requested to register as soon as possible, using the on-line registration through a link at the following website:

<https://webgate.cec.eu.int/fmi/iwp/cgi?-db=stabinst07&-loadframes>

The deadline for registration is **19 October 2007**.

A confirmation letter will be sent to all participants registered within the deadline.

Participants will be required to present the confirmation letter at the conference welcome desk.

Programme

For any further information about the content of the conference please contact the conference organisers:

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Conference language & Fees

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided into French, English and German.

There are no registration fees for this conference.

Travel and accommodation

Participants are expected to organise their own travel and accommodation, the European Commission will not reimburse these expenses.