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PROGRAMME

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Seminar on mechanisms to support innovation for SMEs in Suriname
Paramaribo, Suriname
11 and 12 April, 2013
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**Seminar on mechanisms to support innovation
for SMEs in Suriname**

Workshop: Design as a platform for innovation

Date : *11 and 12 April, 2013*

Time : 09.00 – 15.00 hours

**Location : Conference Room Chamber of Commerce
and Industry (KKF)**

Moderator: Mr. Germán Caires

Co-Moderator: Mr. Steve Silos

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Agenda

Thursday, 11 April 2013 – Day 1 seminar

- 08:30** Registration
- 09:00** National Anthem
- Opening of the Event**
- Welcome by Mr. Gilbert van Dijk, General Manager SBC
 - Speech by Mr. Germán Caires, Head of Projects SELA
 - Vice President of the Republic Suriname, H.E. Mr. Robert L.A. Ameerali
- 09:30** Overall situation on SMEs innovation capacities in Suriname -
Mr. Ferdinand Welzijn, Chair Suriname Business Forum
- 10:00** Public policies to promote innovation in Suriname –
Ms. Sieglien Burleson, coordinator Competitiveness Unit Suriname
- 10.25** Questions and Answers
- 10:45** Coffee break / Refreshments

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- 11:00** **Local SMEs innovation experiences (best practices and examples)**
- Mr. Raymil Manichand, General manager Agrofix N.V.
 - Mr. Pieter van der Hijden, Fab Lab paramaribo
 - Mr. Joey Roberts, Representative of Jomi Cosmetics
 - Mr. Julio Bhikharie, General manager De Molen N.V.
 - Mr. A. Doelwijt, Mr. Ph. Tevreden, Mrs. Joan Jeffrey – Innovation Center Telesur
- 12:00** **Discussion / Questions and Answers**
- 12.30** **Lunch break**

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- 14:00 **SMEs Competitiveness Development: Structural problems and conditions -**
Santiago Macías, General Director of COMPITE, Mexico
- 15:15 **Break / Refreshments**
- 15:45 **Innovation Funding: Case of Costa Rica -** Otto F. Rivera, Executive Chief,
Chamber of Information and Communication Technologies of Costa Rica (CAMTIC)
- 17:00 **Closing session for the day**