



Subject: invitation to a workshop on a EU future electronic identification, authentication and signature policy in Brussels on October 3rd 2011. (Study SMART 2010/0008)

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Dear Madam, dear Sir,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in a workshop on a EU future identification, authentication and signature policy that we are organising at the request of the European Commission.

The workshop will be held in Brussels on October 3rd 2011 from 9h30 until 17h00 at the European Commission, DG Information Society & Media, Avenue de Beaulieu 25, 1160 Brussels (BU25 room O/S1).

The workshop will take place in the context of the Digital Agenda for Europe Key Actions 3 (Revision of the electronic signature directive) and 16 (Decision to ensure mutual recognition of e-identification and e-authentication across the EU).

The Commission has commissioned DLA Piper, Time.lex, PwC, Sealed and SNG to carry out a study to determine the building blocks for an electronic identification, authentication and signature policy for the European Union, as well as related electronic credentials such as electronic seals, time stamping, signature archiving, registered document delivery, etc.

The study addresses the legal, technical and trust components required for such a framework (see the attached extract of the "Inception Report" for details). The study deliverables will be an important input for the Commission development of its legislative proposals.

The purpose of the workshop is to collect stakeholders' feedback on the study's first findings and deliverables.

Please confirm your attendance, and send any queries to patrick.van.eecke@dlapiper.com. A letter confirming your registration will be mailed to you.

Yours sincerely,

The IAS Project Team

AGENDA OF THE WORKSHOP (tentative)

October 3rd 2011 from 9h30 until 17h00

European Commission, DG Information Society & Media, Avenue de Beaulieu 25, 1160
Brussels (BU25 room)

09.30	<i>Registration and Coffee</i>	
09.45	Welcome and opening remarks	Study team
	State of play of EC policy initiatives on eSignature and eIdentification Q&A	European Commission
	Introduction to the study	Study team
	<i>Coffee/Tea break</i>	
	An IAS Policy for Europe (D3.1, D3.2): - The issues and challenges - A Proposed Model	Study team
	Panel & Group discussions: 1: IAS Policy Goals (D3.2)	Study team
12.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.30	Panel & Group discussions: 2: Economic & Market Aspects (D2.2)	Study team
	<i>Coffee/Tea break</i>	
	Panel & Group discussions: - 3: Social Aspects (D2.2) - 4: Aligning Standards (D2.2)	Study team
	Final conclusions and next steps	Study team
17.00	End of the workshop	