



# African-European Radio Astronomy Platform

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## Workshop to discuss the Draft AERAP Framework Programme for Cooperation

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# Introduction to the Draft AERAP Framework Programme for Cooperation

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Step 1: Thematic Workshops in 2012



## AERAP Workshops in 2012

Date	Event
<b>29 May 2012</b>	Workshop on Leveraging New Funding Opportunities for African-European Radio Astronomy Partnerships
<b>6 September 2012</b>	Workshop on Human Capital Development – Researcher Mobility and Training Programmes
<b>27 September 2012</b>	Workshop on Human Capital Development in Pretoria, South Africa
<b>9 October 2012</b>	Workshop on Renewable Energy Solutions for Radio Astronomy
<b>14 November 2012</b>	Workshop on Infrastructure Investment and Technology Development including Scientific Instrumentation for Radio Astronomy

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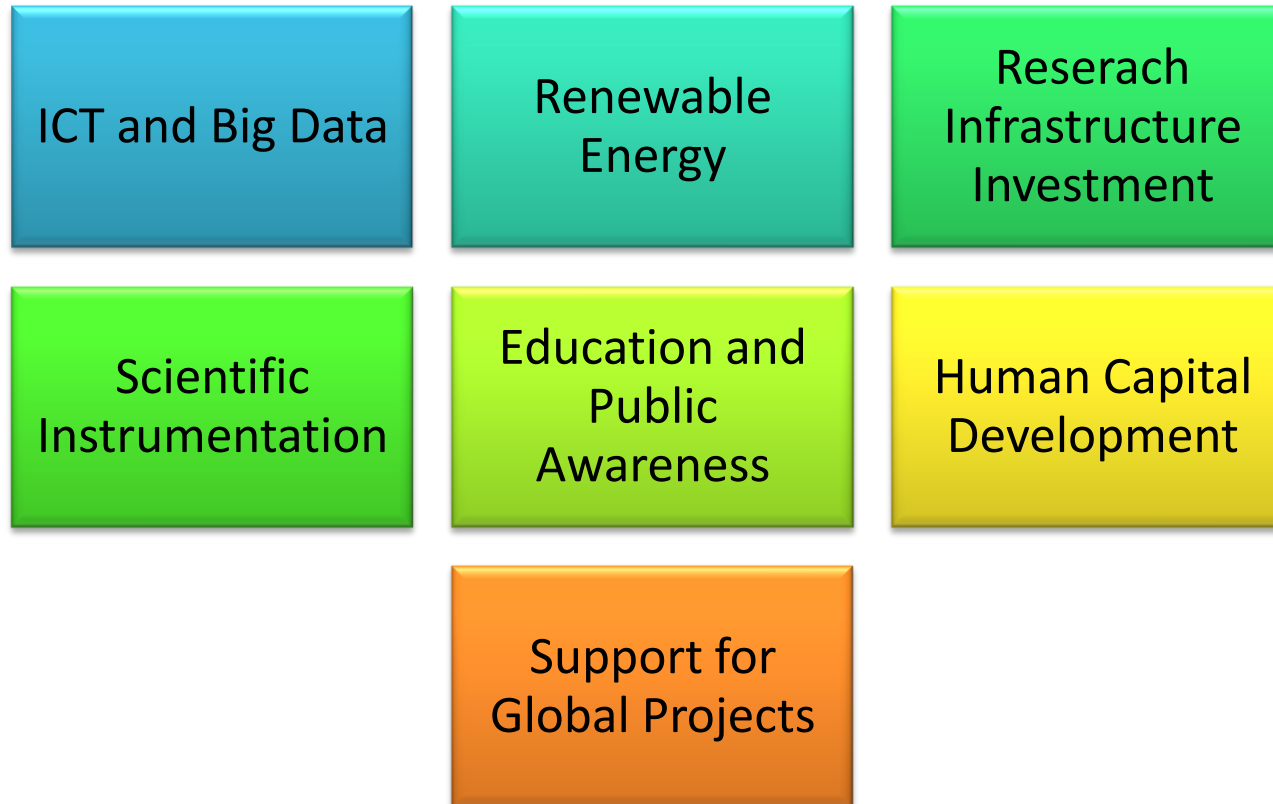
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## Structure of the Framework Programme

– Thematic priorities:



Background – Objectives – Key Actions

Support for Implementation

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Step 3: Discussions at today's workshop and further development of the Framework Programme

# Next Steps

- Following completion of stakeholder consultation, Framework Programme presented and accepted by AERAP Group in the European Parliament
- Framework Programmes becomes instrument for operationalising radio astronomy as priority focus area for Africa-EU cooperation in 2014-2020



# Thank you for your attention!



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