



In cooperation with the International Institute of Social Studies, the European Commission and the UNDP, SID Netherlands presents in the **Kapuscinski Lectures** Series:

**Professor Daniel Bach, University of Bordeaux**

The EU's Strategic Partnership with Africa – a Model Lost in Translation?

Date: Thursday April 7, 2011

Location: Aula, Institute of Social Studies, Kortenaerkade 12, The Hague

**Programme:**

15:00-15:30 Welcome and registration of participants (with coffee and tea)

15:30-15:45 Opening remarks

**René Grotenhuis** (President of SID Netherlands)

and

**Maria-Silvia Gatta** (Head of European Commission Representation in the Netherlands)

15:45-16:20 Lecture delivered by Professor **Daniel Bach**

16:20-16:30 Comments by **Wil Hout**, Professor of Governance & International Political Economy, ISS

16:30-17:15 Panel discussion (chaired by Wil Hout):

- (1) **Désirée Bonis**, Director Sub-Saharan Africa Department, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- (2) **Sjoera Dijkers**, Member of Dutch Parliament for Dutch Labour Party (PvdA)
- (3) **Andrew Sherriff**, European Centre for Development Policy Management, Maastricht
- (4) **Mark Schneiders**, Head of business development at African Development Cooperation

17:15-17:45 Q&A with the audience

17:45-18:00 Closing Remarks by **Daniel Hanspach**, Emerging Donors specialist, UNDP Bratislava regional centre.

18:00-19:00 Drinks

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## **About the project 'Kapuscinski Lectures'**

Experts from around the world deliver lectures on development in European Union countries. The series "Kapuscinski Lectures", named after Ryszard Kapuscinski, a Polish reporter and writer who covered developing countries, is organized jointly by the European Commission, the United Nations Development Programme, partner universities and development think-tanks.

The first round of "Kapuscinski Lectures" was organised in 2009 and 2010, and hosted twelve international experts in development field, including Paul Collier, François Bourguignon, Crown Prince Haakon of Norway, Simon Maxwell, Carol Lancaster, Eveline Herfkens, Gasana Ndoba among others.

The lecture series offers students from the European Union member states an unprecedented opportunity to learn and discuss development, and issues related to development cooperation. The events contribute to the debate and formulation of the European development policy.

Both, old and emerging donors among EU states face important questions, which are addressed during the meetings: should we keep development aid in times of economic crisis; should we postpone the fight against climate change until the global economy recovers; how to ensure that development aid is not wasted and reaches the poor; how is terrorism and instability rooted in unequal development; which lessons can be learned from the transition economies in Eastern Europe.

Those and other questions are answered by the 2nd round of the "Kapuscinski Lectures," which is organised in November 2010 – June 2011. Speakers include Andris Piebalgs, Kemal Dervis, Dirk Messner, Jan Pronk and Daniel Bach. The lectures support the European Development Days, one of the biggest worldwide events on development organised annually.

The lectures honor the name of Kapuscinski, a Polish journalist and writer, who died in 2007. Kapuscinski, whose books were translated into many languages, was often named the "Third World Chronicler" or the "Voice of the Poor" for his famous reportages and books describing developing countries on all continents. Among other books, he was famous for the following: "The Emperor" on Ethiopia, "Shah of Shahs" about Iran, "The Shadow of the Sun" about Africa, "Another Day of Life" about Angola, and "Imperium" about the Soviet Union.