

## EUREKA Clusters sign declaration of commitment

During EUREKA's 25th anniversary event in Jerusalem last June, heads of the EUREKA Clusters signed a Joint Declaration of Commitment with the EUREKA Chairmanship, aimed at "promoting EUREKA and its different instruments as the leading industrial R&D platforms to their natural partners: member countries, European institutions and industry." The declaration calls on EUREKA member countries to "continue

to promote EUREKA and its instruments, including the EUREKA Clusters."

Chairman of EUREKA Cluster CATRENE and Head of the Inter-Cluster Committee Enrico Villa, signed the declaration, along with Chairman of ITEA2 Cluster Rudolf Haggenmueller; Chairman of ACQUEAU Cluster Xavier Chazelle; Jacques Magen, on behalf of CELTIC-PLUS; and Chairman of EUROGIA+ Gabriel Marquette. Eli Oppor, HLG Chairman signed on behalf of the Israeli EUREKA Chairmanship.



## XVII EUREKA Inter-Parliamentary Conference



EUREKA IPC Resolution commits growth in market-oriented R&D projects and to 'fostering a culture of innovation'

On 31 May 2011, Parliamentarians from across the EUREKA network countries gathered at the Knesset (parliament) for the 17th EUREKA Inter-Parliamentary Conference. They adopted a resolution which commits to growth in market-oriented R&D projects and to 'fostering a culture of innovation'. The conference, chaired by Knesset Science and Technology

Committee head Meir Sheetrit, in the presence of US-Israeli Nobel Prize laureate Robert Aumann, adopted the resolution unanimously, setting five key goals, including expansion of EUREKA's services to support through all phases of the value chain and becoming an investment promotion centre to interact with public and private financial stakeholders. In response to these goals, Dr Eli Oppor, current EUREKA Chairman, said that the global economy was changing quickly and that EUREKA must adapt accordingly.