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All submissions should be sent to secretariat@itsworld.org.

The free membership draw will take place on December 1, 2005. The winner's name will be posted on the ITS-L Listserv and on the ITS web site at www.itsworld.org.

Welcome to the World of the International Telecommunications Society



and the ITS Global Network of Telecommunications Professionals

For complete information on the International Telecommunications Society including upcoming events, past conferences, ITS publications, Board and Committee matters, Society by-laws, and past and current editions of *Interconnect*, the official newsletter of ITS, please visit the ITS web site at www.itsworld.org.

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What is ITS?

The International Telecommunications Society (ITS) is an association of professionals in the information, communications and technology sectors. ITS is an independent, non-aligned and not-for-profit organization with a worldwide network of several hundreds of members. ITS provides a forum where academic, private sector and government communities can meet to identify and explore pressing new problems and issues, share research results and form new relationships and approaches to address outstanding issues. ITS focuses on the evolving applications, services, technology and infrastructure of the communications, computing, Internet, information-content and related industries. The goal of ITS is to research and analyze issues related to the emergence of a global information society. The organization places particular emphasis on the interrelationships among socio-economic, technological, legal, regulatory, competitive, organizational, policy and ethical dimensions of the issues it addresses.

What Does ITS Do?

ITS organizes international biennial conferences as well as local and regional conferences, symposia, workshops, seminars and courses. If requested and found appropriate, ITS may also support – in the form of participation, sponsorship, marketing, coordination or advice – other organizations' conferences and events. ITS encourages, supports and showcases the participation of young researchers at its conferences. Working together with leading international publishers of scientific and scholarly books, ITS regularly produces edited volumes of selected papers from its major conferences. ITS also periodically arranges for the publication of special editions of scholarly journals to showcase the best papers presented at selected conferences together with solicited papers on the same theme by leading global authorities on the subject.

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International Telecommunications Society members include industry analysts, academics, business people, consultants, members of regulatory and other government agencies, and researchers in telecommunications and related industries who meet and interact to build upon learnings and insights with respect to shared interests and concerns. Through this process members develop new approaches in dealing with evolving industry, public policy and end-user needs and concerns. ITS members, both individual and corporate, are part of a leading-edge global network including many of the telecommunications industry's most prolific and dynamic players.

ITS 2005-2006 Conference Schedule

June 1-3, 2005: Hong Kong Mobility Roundtable (in association with ITS). This was the fourth annual Mobility Roundtable, a series of global conferences on mobile communication and computing. Theme: "Mobile Communications in the Knowledge Society". Further details are available at www.hongkongmobility.ust.hk.

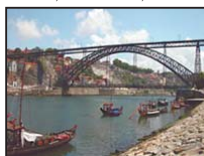
ITS 2005 Regional Conferences

July 20-22, 2005: ITS Conference on Regional Economic Development in Pontevedra, Spain. Theme: "Telecommunications and the Information Society: Opportunities for Regional Enterprise and Development". The conference web site may be found at www.itsgalicia.com.



August 28-30, 2005: ITS Africa-Asia-Australasia Regional Conference in Perth, Australia. Theme: "ICT Networks: Building Blocks for Economic Development". The conference web site is located at www.business.curtin.edu.au.

September 4-6 2005: 16th ITS European Regional Conference (ITS Europe 2005) in Porto, Portugal in association with the 32nd EARIE Conference September 1-4, 2005. Conference papers address the following themes: regulation; competition and market performance; telecommunications infrastructure; internationalisation; broadband, internet and information society issues; mobile services; and broadcasting technology and content. The conference web site is located at www.itseurope.org. Further information about EARIE may be found at www.earie.org.



November 22, 2005: First Transatlantic Telecom Industry Forum in Montpellier, France. In addition to ITS, co-sponsors of this one-day workshop include the Columbia Institute of Tele-Information, the IDATE Foundation, *Communications & Strategies* and the University of Colorado at Boulder. The Forum theme is: "Market Trends, Competition and Regulation". The Transatlantic Telecom Industry Forum is being held as part of IDATE's three-day 27th International Conference, November 22-24. The general theme of IDATE's 2005 Annual Conference is "Content Industries & Broadband Economics". Additional information is available at www.idate.org.

ITS 2006 Biennial Conference

June 12-16, 2006: 16th ITS Biennial Conference in Beijing, China. Theme: "Information Communication Technology (ICT): Opportunities and Challenges for Telecommunications". The Conference will be hosted by the Beijing University of Posts & Telecommunications (BUPT) and the China Institute of Communications. Conference sponsors include: China Telecom, China Mobile, China Satcom, Lucent Technologies, UTStarcom, Qualcomm, NEC, Samsung and Nokia.

The Call for Papers for Beijing 2006 was issued in June 2005. Suggested topics include, but are not limited to, the following: next generation networks and convergence; emerging telecommunications technologies; licensing frameworks; spectrum regulation; market access and the WTO; implications of ICT for universal access and universal service; interconnection of next generation networks; regulatory implications of VoIP; from VoIP to EoIP: opportunities and challenges; E-commerce, E-government and E-entertainment; mobile commerce and mobile payment systems; and telecommunications standards.

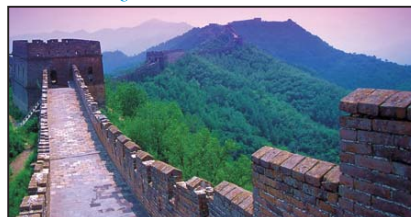


Distinguished papers may be considered for publication in an edited book or special issues of relevant academic journals.

Further details about Beijing 2006, including the Call for Papers and hotel, registration and social program information, are available on the conference website at www.its2006bupt.org. Conference updates will also be posted on the main ITS web site at www.itsworld.org.

Questions about the Conference in general, and the Call for Papers in particular, should be directed to Ms. Renee Kim, Conference Secretariat, at its@its2006bupt.org.

Information on past conferences and regular updates on all upcoming ITS conferences are available on the ITS web site at www.itsworld.org.



Recent and Forthcoming ITS Publications

Early in 2005, North Holland/Elsevier Book Publishing Company, in cooperation with ITS, released *Global Economy and Digital Society*. This edited volume consists of 20 chapters based on selected papers originally presented at the 14th ITS Biennial Conference in Seoul, South Korea in 2002. Editors of the book are Erik Bohlin, Stanford L. Levin, Nakil Sung and Chang-Ho Yoon. This book may be ordered directly online at www.elsevier.com.

Frontiers of Broadband, Electronic and Mobile Commerce, edited by Russel Cooper and Gary Madden, was published in 2004 by Springer. This edited book is based on the proceedings of the 2003 ITS Asia-Australasian Regional Conference held in Perth, Australia and includes four additional invited papers. This book may be ordered directly online at www.springeronline.com.

ITS will publish an edited volume based on papers presented at the 15th ITS Biennial Conference in Berlin in September 2004. Editors of the new book are Jürgen Müller and Brigitte Preissl. Some 20 papers reflecting the conference theme of "Connecting Societies and Markets" have been selected for this publication, which is being sponsored by the SEL Foundation. Further details about this forthcoming publication will be posted on the ITS web site at www.itsworld.org. See also www.itseurope.org.

A complete list of ITS publications may be found at www.itsworld.org under Resources.

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