



International conference
“Information Society Priorities: New Prospects for European CIS Countries”



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Conference goals

- Strengthen scientific and technological co-operation between European Union (EU) and CIS countries;
- Promote development of new technologies, applications and creating of new roles for technology in the field of public services including eGovernment, eHealth, eLearning and eCulture, ensure higher security of the information infrastructure and a wider availability of broadband access to create a dynamic business environment;
- Demonstrate Information Society Technologies (IST) Programme results of Fifth Framework Programme (FP5) and promote Sixth Framework Programme (FP6) to CIS;
- Encourage submission of new project proposals to Information Society Priority of FP6.

Conference sessions

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Session 1: “Modern networks, present state of affairs”

commercial and non-commercial, scientific and public networks; home networks; broadband networks; new technology solutions: mobile 3G, wireless networks, IP V6

Session 2: “Technologies for Information Society”

GRID; GIS; GPS; semantic webs; Russian Web search-engines; teleworking, groupware and enterprise management; multimedia and broadband entertainment; security and privacy

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Session 3: “Humanitarian, research and environmental aspects of Information Society”

telematics applications in environmental research and Earth sciences; Telematics Algorithmic Resource; eLearning; eCulture; telematics Web portals and resources; information infrastructure; electronic justice; eLibrary; eGovernment

Session 4: “IST results of FP5 and prospects in FP6”

WISTCIS and other IST FP5 projects; projects accepted in the first Call of FP6 Information Society Priority

Round-table: “Collaboration prospects. New projects for Information Society Priority of FP6”

Conference participants will have special opportunities to take part in training course on EU FP6 and thematic workshops.

All projects, companies and individuals interested in IT applications and participation in FP6 are encouraged to take part in the conference and submit papers.

Abstracts should be sent to the Local Organising Committee (LOC) by October 25, 2003. Notification of acceptance will be sent to the authors by November 1, 2003. Application form is available at Web-site: <http://www.ednes.org/wistcis/>

Conference languages: English and Russian

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What is the EU's Sixth Framework Programme (FP6) and its Information Society Priority?

The Framework Programme is the EU's main instrument for research funding in Europe. The budget for FP6 is €17.5 billion, over 5 years. It is distributed amongst both research and technology development and demonstration activities, as well as nuclear activities. FP6 is divided into seven thematic priority areas. One of the thematic priorities is **Information Society Priority**. It is intended to stimulate the development in Europe of both hardware and software technologies and applications at the heart of the creation of the information society in order to increase the competitiveness of European industry and allow European citizens the possibility of benefiting fully from the development of the knowledge-based society.