

Workshop No. 9

Everything converged: today, tomorrow and after tomorrow

**September 21st, 2008, 14:00 - 18:00
Brussels/Belgium**

Workshop Objectives

Within a relatively short period of time we have become used to being connected almost all the time. Nevertheless, our expectations and requirements to quality, speed and coverage are ever rising. The ultimate vision is to be able to access any service, anywhere, at any time, and at the terminal of choice - TV, laptop, phone or something else.

As consumers we don't really care how this vision is achieved and how it works, but the impact on the underlying infrastructure is enormous. Everything has to be "converged" in order to realize this vision. Different types of both fixed and mobile network equipment has to interwork, it should be possible to move services between different types of terminals, the service providers need to find new business models and ways of collaborating, there are political, regulatory and legislative issues and so on.

This workshop has collected a versatile team of speakers to discuss some of the many different aspects of the convergence in the end user environment - today, tomorrow and the day after tomorrow. The focus will be on the technology issues for access and in-building networks, but also services and business models will be considered.

Organizers

- Mikhail Popov, Acreo Netlab, Sweden
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- 14h00 – 14h20: Introduction on convergence
Mikhail Popov, Acreo & ICT ALPHA
- 14h20 – 14h40: EC research towards converged infrastructures
Andrew Houghton, European Commission
- 14h40 – 15h00: OMEGA, Home Gigabit Networks over heterogeneous technologies
Jean-Philippe Javaudin and Martial Bellec, Orange Labs, France Télécom
- 15h00 – 15h20: Radio over Fiber enabled wireless distributed systems
Atilio Gameiro, University of Aveiro and Paulo Monteiro, Nokia Siemens Networks
- 15h20 – 15h50: Break – 30 min
- 15h50 – 16h10: Mobile communications transport over optical and access networks: today and tomorrow
Luis Cucala, Telefonica I+D, and Pier Faccin, Andrew Wireless Systems
- 16h10 – 16h30: Converged TV delivery over IP
Ignacio Más, Ericsson
- 16h30 – 16h50: Convergence – end user perspective
TBC
- 16h50 – 17h10: Convergence - Trends in Europe
Daryl Inniss, Ovum
- 17h10 – 17h40. Panel discussion

Further details will become available soon.

Web-site: www.ict-alpha.eu/ecoc2008

Registration

Registration for the workshop is free, but mandatory to get access to the session rooms.
Registration can only be done through the ECOC2008 registration webpage

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