



*Second European Summit
on Interoperability in the iGovernment*

CALL FOR PAPERS

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The Second Summit on Interoperability in the iGovernment will be organized in Rome in October 2008 by Regione Lazio, Regional Ministry for Consumer Protection and Administrative Simplification, with the organizational support of LAit S.p.A.

The Second Summit will represent a unprecedented occasion for:

1. Enhancing the role of European regions with respect to the priorities of Interoperability as a key element for the efficient, sustainable and equal development of eGovernment and for the creation of an intelligent and innovative European Government, fostering the development of the Knowledge Society, a higher European integration, a substantial increasing of competitiveness and productivity of the EU in the international scenario;
2. Analyzing the European Interoperability Framework produced by IDABC, as a model for the adaptation and comparison of the single European regional frameworks for Interoperability;
3. Verifying the state of the art and promoting successful initiatives in the field of Interoperability in Europe;
4. Proceeding concretely in the constitution of ERNI (European Regional Network for Interoperability) and the other European tools proposed by the Valencia Declaration.

Regione Lazio intends to organize the Second European Summit with the contribution of the European Commission and the other European regions (Public Administrations, businesses and the Academia) with the aim of making the Second Summit an unprecedented occasion for all European interested stakeholders, to express their needs concerning interoperability, contribute in establishing new priorities and proceeding together in order to achieve them, through a credible tool towards the European Union: the European Regional Network for Interoperability, ERNI.

Why to attend?

ESIIG 2 represents an unprecedented occasion to develop new synergies and create contacts with more than 300 high-ranking guests who will take part in the three days Summit: representatives of the European Commission, of the national and regional governments of Europe, of the Research field, the Academia and experts of the ICT sector.

ESIIG 2 facilitates the dialogue, integration and collaboration amongst all interested parties in order to reach common standards, build together a high competitive and interoperable European environment.

On the occasion of the Second Summit on Interoperability in the iGovernment, ESIIG 2, the Technical and Scientific Committee and the Organizing Secretariat of ESIIG 2 invite all those interested in contributing effectively to the event, to produce their own paper and submit it to the assessment of the Technical and Scientific Committee composed by representatives of the ICT, Public Administration and the Research field.

SUMMIT PROCEEDINGS

All Papers that received a positive evaluation will be published in the **Official Summit Proceedings** (and on the event website www.esiig2.it) and will be published on-line in the ESIIG 2 **AGORA**. Only unpublished papers will be released. Intellectual contents of each Paper remain of the sole property of the author.

WHAT IS THE ESIIG 2 AGORA?

How does it work?

The ESIIG 2 AGORA allows experts in the ICT fields to visualize and discuss the papers selected by the Technical and Scientific Committee with the respective authors.

The AGORA facilitates the meeting within the ESIIG 2 community before, during and after the Summit.

The experts in the field will have the possibility to visualize the proposals selected for the on-line publication on the AGORA available on the ESIIG 2 website www.esiig2.it

The authors of the proposals published on-line, who will be attending the Summit, can make themselves available to meet other participants who are interested in meeting them to discuss the paper they submitted.

The meetings organized during the Summit will be held in English.

The Organizing Secretariat of ESIIG 2 will arrange the meetings parallel to the development of the summit.

What is it for?

It is a very important initiative to facilitate the meeting, dialogue and debate amongst the Summit attendees and aims at developing experiences, synergies and knowledge.

CALL FOR PAPER REGULATIONS

- **Object of the Papers**

Because of one of the main objectives of the ESIIG initiative, since the first edition, has been to put in common the current practices in the field of interoperability in the European eGovernment at local, regional, national and European level, will be specially appreciated those papers focused on the **actions, plans, projects and initiatives** in the field of the interoperability in the eGovernment, as well as about the difficulties and priorities to face in order to reach a unique interoperable iGovernment in Europe.

- **Papers submission**

The Papers must be sent **via email** to the following address esiig2@regione.lazio.it prior on-line registration to the Summit website www.esiig2.it

- Submitted papers should be original and must be written in **English**. Submission of the paper at the Summit is free of charge.
- In order for the papers to be managed in the most accurate way possible, we ask you to follow the format points described directly in the Template downloadable at the “Call for Papers” page on www.esiig2.it
- In order for the papers collection to be as homogeneous as possible we ask you to explain and elaborate in the paper the following points:
 - Reference background
 - Description of the action/plan/project/initiative
 - Impact and results
 - Lesson learned
 - Future developments

- **Format regulations**

- All papers must be sent in digital format **.DOC (Microsoft Word Document) or .ODT (OpenOffice Document)**;
- The papers **length cannot be less than 4 pages and cannot exceed 10**;
- It is possible to include **images and charts** for a more effective clarity of the exposure.
- The **template** is available at the Call for papers page, it is also possible to make a specific request by sending an email to esiig2@regione.lazio.it

- **Evaluation criteria**

The Technical and Scientific Committee will evaluate the submitted papers according to the following criteria:

- Originality and relevance to the argument;
- Technical quality of the paper;
- Innovation of the technology examined;
- Level of representativeness of the Public Administrations, especially at regional level;
- Level of involvement of the users;
- Exposure clarity.

- **Notifications and Intellectual Property:**

All participants will be informed, through the email address provided at registration, and by the dates indicated below (see “Important Dates”) of the status of acceptance of their paper.

In case of undelivered notification, it is possible to ask the Organizing Secretariat for information by sending an email to esiig2@regione.lazio.it . Intellectual contents of each Paper remain of the sole property of the author, who makes a commitment to submit original papers and not subjects to any kind of bond. The author of the paper authorizes the Organizing Secretariat of ESIIIG 2 to reproduce and diffuse the paper in the modalities it finds fit to promote the Summit and the aforementioned author, who renounces any compensation or claim on it.

In order to regulate issues, the authors of the selected papers, will sign and send the appropriate “Attribution-Noncommercial-No Derivative Works 3.0 Unported” module to the Organizing Secretariat of ESIIIG 2 in the last official submission phase.

- **Areas of Interest :**

Contributions are sought in the scope of the following themes (non comprehensive list):

- 1) Interoperability as a key enabler for Public Administration transparency, administrative simplification, citizens’ and companies’ participation in the decision-making process;
- 2) European Interoperability Frameworks: technological, organizational, semantic, juridical and cultural models.
- 3) Technological neutrality and interoperability: Open source solutions and experiences;
- 4) Interoperability as the key enabler for interregional cooperation: Experiences and opportunities of European networks;
- 5) Standardization in Interoperability;
- 6) Interoperability for the management of digital identities (such as the use of smart cards for the identification and access to services);
- 7) Interoperability laboratories;
- 8) Regional, European and international best practices in interoperability;
- 9) eInclusion and Interoperability;
- 10) Interoperability and digital contents;
- 11) Enterprise Architecture Framework experiences.

IMPORTANT DATES	
Launch of Call for Papers	March 1 st , 2008
Deadline for submission of papers	July 21 th , 2008
Authors notification of the selection results	September 9 th , 2008
Submission of authors' bio	September 22 th , 2008

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