

## **- ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS -**

**The INSTITUT D'ECONOMIE INDUSTRIELLE  
(IDEI)**

Université des Sciences Sociales, Place Anatole France  
31042 Toulouse, France

**hosts a conference on**

**THE ECONOMICS OF THE SOFTWARE  
AND INTERNET INDUSTRIES**

**Toulouse, January 18-20, 2001**

**THE OBJECTIVE OF THE CONFERENCE** is to discuss recent academic contributions to our understanding of the economics of the Software and Internet Industries, whether theoretical, econometric, experimental or policy oriented. Attention will be given to the analysis of these industries, but also to their influence on the rest of the economy.

**TOPICS TO BE COVERED** include (this list is suggestive and not limitative; all contributions to our understanding of these industries and their consequences are welcome):

- ♦ The industrial organization of the Software and Internet Industries (competition and regulation, contractual relationships, strategies of firms, demand).
- ♦ Macroeconomic consequences (growth, employment) of the Software and Internet Industries.
- ♦ E-commerce, including jurisdictional issues/taxation and competitive strategies.
- ♦ The Internet and the financial sector.
- ♦ New Technologies of Information and Communication and the organization of firms.
- ♦ Intellectual property policy for the Software and Internet Industries.

This conference is part of the program "Product Markets, Financial Markets and the Pace of Innovation in Europe", organized by the CEPR (Philippe Aghion).

**THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE** is composed of Timothy Bresnahan, Drew Fudenberg, Michael Katz, Michael Riordan, Richard Schmalensee, Carl Shapiro.

**THE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE** is composed of Claude Crampes, Jacques Crémer, Marc Ivaldi, Bruno Jullien, Jean-Jacques Laffont, Jean Tirole, all from the IDEI.

**ECONOMISTS** are invited to pre-register and/or to submit papers by sending or E-mailing the attached form, as soon as possible. Papers should be received by 31 October 2000. A decision will be made by 21 November 2000.

**ATTENDANCE** is strictly limited to 100 participants.

Further information on the conference and accommodation will be found on the conference web page <http://www.idei.asso.fr/Commun/Conferences/Internet/index.html>. More specific information will be sent to those who have pre-registered. Trip (APEX fare), accommodations and registration fee will be provided for speakers.

For further information contact the conference secretariat:

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