

PRESS RELEASE



Madrid 2003 Global IPv6 Summit

“IPv6 is Deployable and Operational NOW”

Madrid, 7th April – The **Global IPv6 Summit** returns to our capital. After the great success of the past two Summits of 2001 and 2002, the Global IPv6 Summit will be held in the “Hotel Auditorium” in May 12-14th.

IPv6 is a reality: It's not an illusion, it's a necessity, and it's here and now. The endorsement from industry and Internet/Telecom organizations indeed substantiate it. In this edition, established Internet specialist companies such as **6WIND, Arsys, Cisco Systems,** and **Hitachi** sponsor the event.

We are very honored to win the support of the **Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology** welcoming them again to inaugurate our event.

We are also pleased to win this year, as media-sponsor, a major Spanish newspaper, **El Mundo**, with an industry-first offering of its contents using IPv6.

The European Commission has already committed in its eEurope 2005 initiative to the deployment of IPv6. The next Research and Development Framework Programme (FP6), is considering IPv6 as one of the key objectives along with broadband, security, as well as mobility, Quality of Service, peer to peer, Ambient Intelligence, 3G, WiFi, home automation and Power Line Communications. All of these aspects will be addressed in the conference and several projects will demonstrate new applications and services, as preliminary results of the work achieved.

An innovation introduced this year is a special workshop outlining the lessons learned from different IPv6 deployment scenarios, organized by the European Commission IPv6 Cluster.

We are very proud in attracting a sizable number of prominent and recognized pioneers and industry experts to share with our avid audience their knowledge and experiences.

Several prime world announcements related to IPv6 services will be made during the conference.

Finally, the Awards for the first worldwide IPv6 Applications Contest will be celebrated in a live ceremony with connection to the IPv6 Promotion Council of Japan, the Contest organizer.

So, join more than 800 delegates from over 40 countries attending this international event, the biggest ever organized in Europe.

Please visit the event web site (<http://www.ipv6-es.com>) for the agenda.



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