

USM 2000: **LAST CALL FOR PAPERS**

**3rd IFIP/GI International Conference on
Trends towards a Universal Service Market**

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General Information

USM 2000 is the third event in a series of international IFIP conferences on Trends in Distributed Systems. It continues TreDS'96, held in Aachen, Germany and TrEC'98 with special focus on Electronic Commerce in Hamburg, Germany. The technological progress in internet and telecommunication domains as well as deregulation efforts of the telecommunication markets currently under way in many countries enable an integration of data and telecommunication. Distributed platforms get adapted to the needs of telecommunication networks. This leads to a global distributed system with millions of objects, running on top of a middleware kernel and interacting with each other to provide services. USM 2000 brings together researchers, service vendors and users in the field of universal service markets. USM 2000 takes place in Munich, Germany, the city of the famous Oktoberfest which will start two days after the conference on September 16, 2000.

Topics

The USM 2000 considers services of a universal market in relation to middleware, distributed applications and management. Areas of special interest include:

- Component Based Systems, Service Creation
- Service Market Models, Accounting and Customer Care
- Quality of Service for Distributed Applications
- Trading, Brokering and Information Management
- Management of Virtual Networks
- Service and Application Management
- Ubiquitous Services and Nomadic Computing
- Distributed and Mobile Objects
- Agent Technology for Integrated Management
- Advances in Middleware, e.g. CORBA, DCOM, Jini
- Telecommunication Architectures related to Distributed Systems

Submissions

You are encouraged to submit full technical papers describing original, unpublished research or experience of about 12 pages. Extended abstracts of 3-5 pages will be accepted for poster session papers. Submissions are due January 30th, 2000. For submission guidelines please visit our web server. The proceedings will be published in "Lecture Notes in Computer Science", Springer-Verlag.

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