

## About the Conference

The Institute of Legal Information Theory and Techniques of the Italian National Research Council (ITTIG-CNR) is organising the IX International Conference "Law Via The Internet".

The Conference deals with issues of free access to legal information and annually gathers the network of Legal Information Institutes (LIIs).

The Florence Conference is to be set in the context of the evolution of the use of information and data transmission-technologies in the legal field and intends to focus on digital legal information, analyzing its aspects in the light of the idea of freedom of digital legal culture and of the technological progress that is shaping law.

Within this interaction of technological progress and law, free access to information is only the first, but fundamental step.

Quality is necessarily connected to the topic of access to information, since it ensures that the information is complete, reliable and clear.

Therefore, the full knowledge of quality legal information makes it possible to citizens to exercise in a conscious and effective way the rights and safeguarding rules set by the judicial system. In this way, the use of new technologies becomes an irreplaceable tool of democracy for the citizen of the e-society.

The past editions of the Conference have been held in Montreal, Vanuatu, Paris, Sydney and attended by hundreds of scientists, experts and public officers coming from five continents.

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*English and Italian*

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**Plenary Sessions and 1<sup>st</sup> Parallel Session**

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Parallel Sessions** in English

## Registration fees in euro

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| Full Conference                                 | 300,00 |
| One-day Conference ( <i>except Gala event</i> ) | 130,00 |
| Students ( <i>except Gala event</i> )           | 120,00 |
| Accompanying person ( <i>only Gala event</i> )  | 60,00  |

Special fees for Lawyers and Librarians (*contact Secretariat*)

**Deadline online registration: Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Registration on site +20%**

Registration fees include conference materials, coffee breaks, lunches. Gala event (concert and cocktail) on 30<sup>th</sup> October only for full conference fee.

## Hotel accommodation



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Thursday 30 October 2008

8:30 am - 9:15 am *Registration*

9:15 am - 9:30 am *Introduction*

**Nicola Palazzolo**, Director of ITTIG

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**Andrea Di Porto**, Board of Directors of the Italian National Research Council

**Daniel Poulin**, Representative of LIIs

9:30 am - 13:00 am / 1<sup>st</sup> Plenary Session

### THE RIGHT TO ACCESS LEGAL INFORMATION

Chair: **GRAHAM GREENLEAF**, AustLII, Australia

**Maximilian Herberger** (Germany), Free Access to Law: What Is Still Ahead?

**Daniel Poulin** (Canada), Fifteen Years of Open Access to Law: What Have Been Done and What Are the Next Steps

**Vincenzo Zeno-Zencovich** (Italy), Legal Information As an Essential Aspect of Citizenship

**Iain Currie** (South Africa), Problems of Privacy in Online Legal Materials

**Gherardo Casini** (Italy), The International Framework and the Response of the International Community

**Italo Scotti, Enrico Seta** (Italy), Italian Legislation on the Internet: Citizens' Access to Legislation in Force and Regulatory Reorganisation

**Fabio Pistella** (Italy), The Role of CNIPA in Accessing Legal Information

from 2:15 pm / Exhibition

### OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE FOR LAW

Co-ordinator: **FABRIZIO TURCHI**, ITTIG, Italy

2:15 pm - 5:45 pm / 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Session

### FREE ACCESS TO LAW: INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND INSTITUTIONS IN EUROPE

Chair: **PASCALE BERTELOOT**, OPOCE, Luxembourg

**Albrecht Berger** (Luxembourg), Access to Legislation Online in the EU: from Fee-based to Free Information

**Stephane Cottin** (France), Free Access to Legal and Legislative Information: the French Approach through the Enlightenment of the Strategic Reviews of Better Regulation in the European Union

**Aki Hietanen** (Finland), Free Access to Legal Information in Finland: Principles and Practice

**Nina Koch** (Denmark), Advantages in Inter-Institutional Cooperation - Design and Production

**Caterina Lupo** (Italy), Free access to legislation in Italy: the Role of Standards for the Integration of Information Systems

**Michel Moret** (Switzerland), Free Access to Legal Information in Switzerland: Current Situation and Trends for the Future

**Günther Schefbeck** (Austria), Free Access to Legal and Legislative Information: the Austrian Approach

**Fernando Venturini** (Italy), Legal Documents as Core Public Sector Information: from Professional Information to Internet Development Support

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9:15 am - 13:00 am / 1<sup>st</sup> Parallel Session

### A LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR OPEN ACCESS TO LEGAL INFORMATION

Chair: **GIOVANNI SARTOR**, EUI, Italy

**Jon Bing** (Norway), Reconstructing a Vision: May a Consolidated Legal Information Service be Achieved, and What Requirements Should a Professional Service Meet?

**Roberto Caso** (Italy), Open Access to Legal Information and Copyright Rules: a Law and Technology Perspective

**Graham Greenleaf** (Australia), The Obligations of Public Authorities Responsible for Originating Legal Materials

**Pasquale Costanzo** (Italy), Theory and Reality of the Official Publication of Legal Acts on Internet

**Daive Sarti** (Italy), Open Access and Legal Exceptions to Copyright: Towards a General Fair Use Standard?

**Philip Leith** (UK), Current Copyright Problems and the History of Law Reporting in the UK

**Sebastiano Faro** (Italy), Open Access to Outcomes of Publicly Funded Research

**Kevin Pun** (Hong Kong), An Unexplored Legal Issue for the Provision of Free Legal Information in Hong Kong

9:15 am - 13:00 am / 2<sup>nd</sup> Parallel Session

### THE GLOBAL SCOPE OF FREE ACCESS TO LAW

Chair: **DANIEL POULIN**, LexUM, Canada

**Fernando Galindo Ayuda** (Spain), Free Access to the Law in Latinamerica: Brasil, Argentina and Uruguay as Examples

**Carlos G. Gregorio** (Argentina), Access to Judicial Information Via the Internet in Latin America: a Discussion of the Experiences, Trends and Difficulties

**Abdul Paliwala** (United Kingdom), Free Access to Law in Africa: Issues for Network Society

**Mariya Badeva-Bright** (South Africa), Re-thinking "Open" in Free and Open Access to Law

**Roberta Nannucci, Mario Ragona** (Italy), Towards Free Access to Law: Research Experience and Prospects

**Guillaume Blain, Karl Charbonneau, Marc-André Morrisette** (Canada), SATAL, a Novel (and Cheap) Way of Building a Point-in-time Legislation Publication System

**Andrew Mowbray, Philip Chung, Graham Greenleaf** (Australia), Improving Case Law: Automated Citators and Virtual Databases

**Alessandro Gallo** (Italy), Open Access, Digital Preservation and Semantic Web: the New Era of a Multi-disciplinary Global Publisher

### 9:15 am - 13:00 am / 3<sup>rd</sup> Parallel Session ICTS AND THE QUALITY OF LEGAL INFORMATION

Chair: **DANIELA TISCORNIA**, ITTIG, Italy

**Roland Traunmüller** (Austria), Legal Information Systems: Some Aspects on Quality and Access

**Friedrich Lachmayer, Harald Hoffmann** (Austria), ICT and Quality of Legal Information

**Tom Van Engers** (The Netherlands), Beyond the Internet Hype; How Law Can Be Made Effective

**Thomas Gordon** (Germany), The Legal Knowledge Interchange Format

**Pompeu Casanovas** (Spain), Justice Through the Internet: Hopes and Challenges of Law and the Semantic Web

**Monica Palmirani** (Italy), Modeling Dynamic Legal Information System

**Hans Van Bossuyt, Bertel De Groote** (Belgium), Toward a Standard Structure for the Drafting of Judgments? How Small Measures Can Give Way to Great Effects

**Hughes-Jehan Vibert** (France), Legal Wikis: in Search of Credibility

2:15 pm - 5:30 pm / 3<sup>rd</sup> Plenary Session

### STRATEGIC SOLUTIONS AND SUSTAINABILITY MODELS FOR THE DIFFUSION AND SHARING OF LEGAL KNOWLEDGE

Chair: **THOMAS R. BRUCE**, Cornell Law School, USA

**Thomas R. Bruce** (USA), Foundlings on the Cathedral Steps: Public Search, Domain-Enhanced Search, Metadata, and End Users

**Pascale Berteloot** (Luxembourg), Cross-border Access to Law and Access to EU-law: Possible Common Approaches

**Graham Greenleaf** (Australia), AustLII's Enterprise Model: Constraints and Opportunities in Funding Free Access to Law

**Pierre-Paul Lemyre** (Canada), The Evolving Ecology of Legal Information Market

**Danièle Bourcier** (France), Is Creative Commons a Strategic Solution for the Diffusion of Legal Knowledge?

**Gianmaria Ajani** (Italy), Introducing the Legal Taxonomy Syllabus (LTS) on EU Consumer Law

**Ivan Mokanov** (Canada), Logical Framework for the Evaluation of the Outcome of Free Access to Law on Lawyers Competence

5:10 pm - 5:30 pm *Conclusions*