



e-inclusion



# Canada-Europe eInclusion Symposium

FOR BLIND AND DEAF COMMUNITIES



Canadian Patrimoine  
Heritage Canadien

March 15-16, 2007

Montréal, Québec, Canada

**Important Date:**

Snap-shot Submission

**February 9, 2007**

(max. 3 Powerpoint slides)

Authors Notification:

**February 12, 2007**

Final Presentation:

**Poster**

**Secretariat:**

Canada-Europe eInclusion Secretariat

Address: CRIM,

550, Sherbrooke Street West, Office 100

Montréal, Québec, CANADA, H3A 1B9

Telephone: +1 514 840 1234

Fax: +1 514 840 1244

**Registration:**

<http://www.crim.ca/fr/registrationform.doc>

There will be no charge to attend this event.

For more information please contact:

**Pierre Dumouchel**, [p dumouchel@crim.ca](mailto:p dumouchel@crim.ca)

**Debbie Kemp**, [debbie.kemp@crc.ca](mailto:debbie.kemp@crc.ca)

Centre de recherche informatique de Montréal (CRIM) and Canadian and European Partners of the IST-EC 2 project ([www.ist-ec.org](http://www.ist-ec.org)) are proud to announce the first Canada-Europe eInclusion Symposium to take place on March 15. This inaugural summit will bring researchers from Europe and Canada together who are focused on eAccessibility: the right of the disabled to benefit from the information society; a key focus of the global eInclusion thrust. In conjunction with the eInclusion Symposium, a FP7 Information Day will occur the following day, on March 16 which will enable researchers to network and learn all about ICT's, especially eInclusion as it relates to international cooperation FP7.

eAccessibility research presentations will be the main focus of this event. Broadcasters, multi-media content providers, deaf and blind associations, and industry regulators, will present their future eAccessibility aspirations, visions, and goals. Industry regulators will also present the current legislative requirements for the disabled, and how these requirements could influence broadcasting and telecommunication research. These presentations will provide insight and inspiration to Canadian and European researchers to channel their efforts towards common research goals and outcomes.

Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Challenge 7: Independent Living and Inclusion (of the European Union's FP7 program <http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/>) is calling on researchers to improve the accessibility and usability of new ICT solutions for people with disabilities, and to

innovate assistive technologies for access to ICT by building on progress in emerging technologies. With a deadline of May 8, 2007 for research proposal Call 1, the eInclusion Symposium will be an opportune time to initiate partnerships. IST-EC 2 partners from both Europe and Canada will be available during this Symposium to provide information and general assistance to any researcher requiring information on participating in FP7

**Reasons to attend the event:**

- **Networking:** Spend a day interacting with like-minded peers.
- **Learning:** Who does what in research in Canada and Europe?
- **Opportunity:** See what the needs of the deaf and blind communities are.
- **Team building:** Be part of new consortium initiatives.

**Who should attend the event:**

- eAccessibility researchers
- Broadcasters
- Telecommunication and internet service providers
- Telecommunication and internet industry regulators

**Location:** Centre de recherche informatique de Montréal

550, Sherbrooke Street West, Office 100  
Montréal, Québec, CANADA, H3A 1B9

**Presentations:**

Authors should first submit a PowerPoint snap-shot presentation of a maximum of 3 slides describing their research work. Upon acceptance, the candidate will be asked to submit a full presentation.

**Symposium Steering Committee**

Chair: Dr. Pierre Dumouchel, Centre de recherche informatique de Montréal, CRIM/ETS

Jacques Ouellet, Centre de recherche informatique de Montréal, CRIM

François Lanctôt, Association de l'industrie de la langue—Language Industry Association

Debbie Kemp, Communications Research Centre Canada

Mary Frances Laughton, Industry Canada

Morris Krymalowski, Industry Canada



CRIM



e-inclusion

# Preliminary Programs

March 15-16, 2007



Canadian Heritage

Patrimoine Canadien

## Canada Europe eInclusion Symposium

March 15, 2007

### 8h00 Welcome

- **Pierre Dumouchel**, Scientific Vice President CRIM and Professor ÉTS

### 8h10 Keynote Speakers

- **Carole Willans-Théberge**, President, CHHA

- **Richard McNicoll**, Expert-Consultant, RQST Conseil-expert

- **Anne Jarry**, CEO, CNIB European Association (TBD)

### 9h00 Who Does What in Canada

- **François Lanctôt**, President, Silex Créations Inc.

- **Morris Krymalowski**, Lead Advisor, Industry Canada

### 9h15 Research Presentations

### 9h45 Health Break

### 10h00 Research Presentations (cont'd)

### 12h00 Networking Lunch

### 13h30 CRTC & European organization (TBD)

Canadian & European regulation in broadcasting and telecommunications

### 14h00 Research Presentations (cont'd)

### 15h30 Health Break

### 15h45 Technology Application Demonstrations

- Canadian eInclusion Research Network  
- Others TBC

### 17h30 Q&A's and Concluding Remarks

### 18h00 Networking Reception

## Canada Europe FP7 Info Day

March 16, 2007

### 8h45 Welcome & ICT Canadian National Contact Point Overview

- **Debbie Kemp**, Canadian National Contact Point-ICT, CRC

### 9h00 ICT NCP Directorate

- **Thomas Mckinley**, ICT Operations Planning and Programming Officer, Information Society & Media (TBC)

### 9h30 IST-EC 2 Overview

- **Mounib Mekhilef**, European Coordinator,

### 9h50 IDEAL-IST

- **Concettina Larosa**, (TBC)

### 10h15 Health Break

### 10h30 COST European Program

- **Afonso Ferreira**, Science Officer, COST

### 11h00 ERA-CAN

- **Janet A. Panford**, Director, ERA-Can

### 11h30 Canadian Funding Organizations

- **Jean-Pierre Rodrigue**, International Relations Analyst, NSERC

- **Richard O'Shaughnessey**, IRAP

- **Richard Dupont**, Europe Coordinator, MDEIE

### 12h15 Networking Lunch

### 13h30 Possible eAccessibility Partnering Session (TBC)

(TBC)