Dear colleagues!

We are glad to invite you to participate in the Annual International Workshop on Advances in Methods of Information and Communication Technology, AMICT'09.

Let us introduce some history. This workshop is a result of the long-term cooperation between the computer science departments of the universities of Helsinki and Petrozavodsk (UH and PetrSU). Its roots come to 1993, when Dr. Timo Alanko visited the Department of Computer Science of the University of Petrozavodsk and gave an intensive lecture course on "Performance analysis". Starting from 1994, the workshop had had the name "Finnish Data Processing week (FDPW) at the University of Petrozavodsk" and be mainly intended as a "guest lecturers' week" with the goal to give some advanced elective courses to the CS students of the University of Petrozavodsk. In 1997, the FDPW concept undertook a revision and it was transformed into a scientific seminar, devoted to presentations and discussions on work in progress and results achieved in research and development within the distributed systems and data communications areas. The next transformation was done in 2006, when the seminar topic area and the spectrum of participants became so wide that the name FDPW cannot reflect adequately the essence of the event. Since that time, FDPW was renamed to AMICT, the Annual International Workshop on Advances in Methods of Information and Communication Technology.

Starting from 1997, we, UH and PetrSU, publish Proceedings of the seminar. Recently, 9 volumes have been published (some volumes combine papers from two consecutive seminars) and the 10th one (AMICT'08) is in processing queue. Based on AMICT'09 presentations we are going to make the next volume of the Proceedings.

Programs of the previous seminars can be found at http://www.cs.karelia.ru/fdpw/index.php.en

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For AMICT'09, we solicit talks in areas that include, but are not restricted to, the following:

- Information technology,
- Network communication,
- Information systems,
- Theoretical and applied computer science,
- Algorithms,
- Modeling.

Talks may include presentations of specific systems, experiments, theoretical research, as well as more general, philosophical/educational/methodological presentations.

The Workshop will be conducted 19.-21.05.2009. We assume a participant arrives 18.5 evening or 19.5 early morning. Remember that the opening will start 19.5 (morning, about 9-10 pm). The departure day is 21.5 evening or 22.5 morning.

The Workshop and accommodations are in the Petrozavodsk city. Participants should book accommodation themselves; there are several good hotels in Petrozavodsk. The organizing committee can help and advise in booking if needed. We are ready to provide you with transport to travel from the Central Railway Station to your accommodation when you arrive (18.-19.5.2009), and the same for your backward way, when you leave the city (21.-22.5.2009).

The registration fee is 2500rub/participant including coffee breaks, ceremonial banquet, renting rooms and equipment, administration, and organizational expenses. If a participant would not like to attend the ceremonial banquet then the registration fee can be reduced.

If you wish to participate in the event, provide us the following information by 27.2.2009 (to Dmitry Korzun, <u>dkorzun@cs.karelia.ru</u>).

1. Names of a participant, her/his position, and degree.

- 2. Title of your talk and info about co-authors (names, positions, degrees).
- 3. Short abstract (up to 1000 words) of your talk.

Based on abstracts, the workshop program committee will make decisions on talk acceptance for presenting on the workshop. You will be informed about the decision after 29.3.2009.

The AMICT'09 Workshop Committee