Dear GI-Friends,

Let us invite you to participate in International Symposium ***GIS... Ostrava 2006****. This meeting has been organised every year since 1994 and it has been developed to one of the most important GI/GIT conferences in the Czech Republic. Every year about two hundred participants mainly from the Czech Republic and Slovakia attend the conference. Reputable foreign speakers have been invited to present main topics to Czech and Slovak GI community. The aim of this series of conferences is bringing together researchers, developers, users, and practitioners from the field of GI/GIT.*

We have decided to open GIS... Ostrava 2006 meeting to keynote speakers from informatics area. *We hope that they can bring new ideas to GI-community how to effectively use IT for GI.*

Our goal is to facilitate ***discussions between IT and GIT (GIS) researches*** *and practitioners to support knowledge and technology transfer.*

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Topics of the symposium

1. Interoperability (Petr Rapant)
2. Business processes (Ivo Vondrak)
3. Information Retrival (Pavel Praks)
4. Web Services (Jan Ruzicka)
5. Ontology, Natural Languages, Semantic Web (Marie Duzi, Anelli Heimburger)
6. Markup Languages (Jiri Kosek)
7. Multiagent systems (Pavel Dergel)
8. Open Source (Jan Pytel)
9. Visualization (Vit Vozenilek, Tomas Benes)
10. Parallel computing (Filip Stanek)
11. Data structures (Daniela Durakova)

The guarantee of the topic will present key note paper and will choose from delivered papers for presenation.

Preliminary workshops during the symposium:

1. Open Source GIS
2. GeoWeb
3. Mobile GIT
4. Web Services
5. 3D Visualization
6. PostGIS
7. UMN MapServer
8. Markup Languages
9. Network Analysis

Preliminary technical excursions:

1. GIS workplace at the Municipal Authority of the City of Ostrava (Emergency Centre)
2. Vintage car museum (Tatra Koprivnice)
3. Wallachian wooden little town
4. Ostrava Mining museum

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Deadlines:

Abstracts submission (paper registration)	10th September 2005
Notification of acceptance	30th September 2005
Final version of papers	30th October 2005
Early registration	7th January 2006
Late registration	15th January 2006

Preliminary programme:

Monday 23.1.2006	08.00 - 17.00	registration of participants
	09.00 - 12.00	workshops, excursions
	12.00 - 13.00	lunch
	13.00 - 13.15	opening of the symposium
	13.15 - 18.30	papers (session)
	19.00 - 22.00	symposium dinner
Tuesday 24.1.2006	09.00 - 12.00	papers (session)
	12.00 - 13.00	lunch
	13.00 - 18.30	papers (session)
	19.00 - 22.00	symposium dinner
Wednesday 25.1.2006	09.00 - 16.00	workshops, excursions

Actual information: http://gis.vsb.cz/GISEngl