

## **Subject: Invitation to the 3rd SEE ICT Forum**

Dear colleagues,

In recognition to the increasingly dynamic ICT sector in Southeastern Europe, the Business Advisory Council for Southeastern Europe ([www.bacsee.net](http://www.bacsee.net)) has established the ICT Forum for Southeastern Europe. The aim of this Forum is to create an active communication channel and dialogue between the private ICT sector companies and associations and the governments of the region participating in the electronic South East Europe - eSEE and broadband South East Europe - bSEE initiatives (<http://www.eseeinitiative.org/>).

As part of this, the ICT Forum seeks to establish a permanent interaction with the Regional Cooperation Council for SEE, the successor of the Stability Pact ([www.stabilitypact.org](http://www.stabilitypact.org)), and promote public private partnerships in order to improve business climate and regulatory environment, facilitate cross-border trade and cooperation, and support national and regional ICT agenda throughout Southeastern Europe.

SEE ICT Forum will be gathered for its Third annual meeting at **11:00 on Wednesday, 14 April 2008** in **Ljubljana**. The Forum will be held under the kind auspices of the Government of Slovenia, Ministry of Public Administration, and the newly established Center for eGovernance Development in SEE (**CeGD**) at the following location: Ministarstvo za javno upravo, Konferencna dvorana, Langusova 4, 1000 Ljubljana.

The agenda of the Forum will include the following topics:

- **EU Programme i2010 and the priorities of the Slovenian EU Presidency in ICT and SEE**
- **SEE ICT Sarajevo Ministerial Conference Declaration and eSEE Agenda Plus**
- **Establishment and role of the Center for eGovernance Development in SEE**
- **Appointment of the Board of the SEE ICT Forum and Private Sector Advisory Committee for CeGD**

We are hopeful you will be able to use this unique opportunity to voice out the insights of the private sector on the Information Society development in Southeastern Europe. Also, feel free to forward this invitation to anyone within the ICT community whom you would like to join us for the Forum.

Should you require assistance with accommodation in Ljubljana, try contact [www.cityhotel.si](http://www.cityhotel.si).

For any additional detail or questions regarding the Forum please contact our colleague in Ljubljana

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Looking forward to see you all soon,

Yours sincerely,

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