2nd ICTON - Mediterranean Winter 2008

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ICTON-MW'08 is the winter event to the International Conference on Transparent Optical Networks (ICTON) intended to provide an international forum of discussion and promotion of research advances in transparent and all-optical technologies in broadband telecommunication networks, systems, and components in Mediterranean region.

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Location

ICTON-MW'08 will be kindly hosted in **Marrakesh**, **Morocco**. Marrakesh is known as the "***Red City***" or "***Al Hamra***", and comprises both an old fortified city (the **Medina**) and an adjacent modern city (called **Gueliz**). It is served by **Ménara International Airport.** Marrakesh is the second largest city in the country and is situated in central Morocco near to the Atlas Mountains. Now a center for international conferences of all kinds, and as such resolutely modern, the city has, at the same time, retained a remarkable local color and atmosphere unique in the country. It is also well situated for excursions either to the desert, the Atlas Mountains and the sea.

The conference will be held at the ***Sangho Privelege*** Marrakech hotel the **p**articipants will be hosted in this very nice and comfortable four star hotel. For more information, please visit: ***www.sangho-marrakech.com/index.html***.

Theme

The scope of the conference contains all the topics of interest of ICTON and associated events as listed at **www.itl.waw.pl/icton**. It focuses on the applications of transparent and all-optical technologies in broadband telecommunication networks, systems, and components. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Next Generation Networks
- Wireless & Optical Networking
- Integration of Optical Networks
- Protocols for Optical Access Networks
- Quality of Service (QoS) in Optical Networks
- Optical Network Engineering
- Optical Switching and Routing
- Free Space Optical Sensor Networks
- Optical Transparency and Network Scalability
- Security of Optical and Wireless Broadband Networks

The ICTON-MW'08 is co-located with:

- Workshop on Frontiers of Optical Networks (FON)
- Workshop on Resilience in Transparent Optical Networks (RTON)
- Workshop on Advanced Materials and Photonics Applications (AMPA)
- Workshop on Optical Components for Telecommunications Systems (OCTS)

Important Dates

- ***September 30th, 2008:*** Regular submission deadline
- ***October 31th, 2008:*** Notification on paper acceptance
- ***November 15th, 2008:*** Post deadline paper submission and registration deadline for early bird discount

Call for Contributed Papers

Prospective authors are invited to submit their papers electronically through the conference web site. Accepted papers must be presented at the conference by one of the authors to appear in the ICTON-MW proceedings.

Call for Invited Sessions and Tracks

The goal of invited sessions and tracks is to provide focused discussions on new topics or innovative applications. Each prospective session/track organizer must submit a proposal, including the title of the session and a list of authors with extended abstracts.

Industry-Focused Sessions

In addition to the traditional topic areas, the Technical Program Committee is soliciting papers that focus on industrial issues. By bringing together researchers from industry and academia, we hope to foster collaboration and promote transfer of ideas among these communities.

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