



**Networking for Communications Challenged Communities:
Architecture, Test Beds and Innovative Alliances
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Invitation to N4Cs work shop at the FIREweek 2009

User Driven Development for Communications Challenged Communities

Host: N4C project coordinated by LTU
Date and Venue: 2 July 2009 Luleå University of Technology,
Alfa house, Room A 117



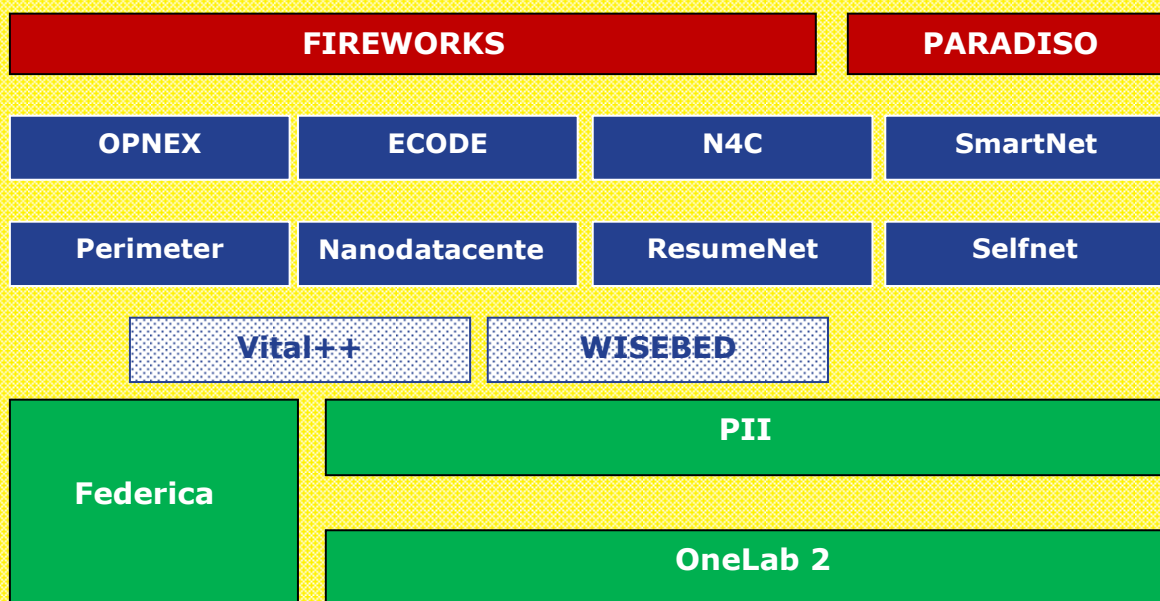
FIRE work shop: User Driven Development for Communications Challenged Communities

ABOUT N4C

N4C or "Networking for Communications Challenged Communities: Architecture, Test Beds and Innovative Alliances" is a three year research project financed by the European Commission, Seventh Framework Programme, coordinated by LTU. N4C objectives are to develop and test a broadband network with use of Delay and Disruption Tolerant Networking (DTN) access technology and in cooperation with users in Swedish Lapland and the Kočevje region in the Slovenian mountains conduct field trials of architecture, design, infrastructure and applications. At the core of N4C will be two ongoing test beds demonstrating how DTN-based networking can be integrated with the existing Internet and investigating business models appropriate for communication challenged regions.

ABOUT FIRE

FIRE Future Internet Research and Experimentation is an initiative under the ICT theme of EU FP 7. Projects selected under Call 2, Objective 1.6 "New Paradigms and Experimental Facilities" are the first step under FP7 towards building FIRE. The initiative has two related dimensions: Building a European Experimental Facility for Future Internet research, and supporting experimentally-driven advanced research, which defines the challenges for and takes advantage of the dynamically evolving facility. <http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ict/fire/>



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

When and where: 2 July 2009 at the Luleå University of Technology (LTU) in Luleå Sweden.

Fees: The work shop is open to invited guests and other interested. Participants will be assigned to participation on the "first come, first served" basis. For program for the all FIRE events please see <http://www.wu.cdt.ltu.se/fireandlivinglabs09/program.html>

Travel and Accommodation: Participants are expected to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.

Language of the workshop: The event will be held through English language only.

Programme: 2 July 2009 at 14:00–15:30

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User Driven Development for Communications Challenged Communities

14:00–14:15 WELCOME TO THE N4C WORK SHOP Mr. Sigurd Sjursen, Northern Research Institute Tromsø AS

14:15–14:30 INTRODUCTION USER DRIVEN TEST BEDS AND LIVING LABS
Ms Barbro Fransson, Power Lake AB

14:30–15:30 USERS ROLE IN DEVELOPMENT OF ICT APPLICATIONS – POLICY MEETS R&D

Students and SME meets officials, researchers and industry in a round table discussion: When and how can user participate? When and Where is cultural and gender sensitive design implemented?

Moderator: Caroline Wamala, PhD student at LTU

Ms Anna Hövenmark, Mayor in Jokkmokk municipality

Mr Fritz-Åke Kuoljok, N4C field test manager in Jokkmokk, LTU

Ms Astrid Dufborg, Lead Specialist Knowledge Society Policy/Human Development, SIDA

Professor Christina Mörtberg, Oslo University

Closing of the session

N4C**ABOUT THE SPEAKERS:****FROM Northern Research Institute Tromsø AS**

Mr Sigurd Sjursen, Member of the N4C Steering Committee

Mr. Sjursen is Senior Research Scientist at Norut. His area of research is innovation, SME networks, policies for regional ICT infrastructures and transnational technology transfer.

FROM LULEÅ UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY (LTU)

Ms Caroline Wamala, PhD student, Gender and Technology

Ms Wamala is originally from Uganda and has lived in several African countries. She has a background as ICT professional and got her M.Sc at Linköping University, in European Society, Science and Technology.

FROM Power Lake AB

Ms Barbro Fransson, Managing Director

Ms Fransson has worked in a large number EC projects (Rural ICT, A-BARD and Rural Wins to name a few) as well as being subcontracted by European consortiums. In N4C Ms. Fransson is responsible for business planning of the Test Beds.

FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF JOKKMOKK

Ms Anna Hövenmark, Mayor Jokkmokk Municipality

Ms. Hövenmark is Mayor in one of the very small municipalities in terms of population, only five thousand inhabitants. But the land area is large, almost 20 000 km² and, covers several national parks and nature reserves.

FROM LULEÅ UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY (LTU)

Mr Fritz-Åke Kuoljok, Local test manager for N4C in Jokkmokk

Mr Kuoljok is a member of Sirges Sámi village and a reindeer owner. He is well known among all Sámi since he was daily manager at SameNet for several years. Presently, besides being LTU local manager for the N4C field tests in Jokkmokk, Mr. Kuoljok is Arctic regional editor for www.indigenousportal.net.

FROM SIDA (THE SWEDISH INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY)

Ms Astrid Dufborg, Lead Specialist, Knowledge Society Policy/Human Development

Ms Dufborg has long experience from Sida working on bilateral development issues and an extensive experience from working in and with developing countries. She has been a director for the non-for profit ICT4E organization, GeSCI, www.gesci.org. Ms Dufborg has also been an ambassador to the WSIS I and II, World Summit on the Information Society, based at the Swedish UN mission in Geneva.

FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF OSLO

Professor Christina Mörtberg

Professor Mörtberg, PhD, docent/reader is an associate professor at the Department of Informatics, University of Oslo, Norway and University of Umeå, Sweden. Professor Mörtberg has been involved in numerous national, Nordic, and international research projects and is co-founder of several transnational research networks. Last but not least, she was one among the very first generation that worked with commercial industrial computer programming in Sweden.

