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The Institut D'Economie Industrielle (IDEI)
organizes a conference on

THE ECONOMICS OF PAYMENT NETWORKS

June 10th and 11th, 2002
Toulouse, France

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We invite the submission of theory, empirical, and policy- oriented papers on topics related to the economics of payment networks. The primary focus is on academic research, but we intend to organize one or two panel sessions to confront the views of industry experts and regulators, for instance on antitrust issues.

Among the topics to be addressed during the conference are:

- **The impact of new payment technologies** like smart cards, electronic wallets, cash cards, point of sale check services,...
- **The development of new forms of (universal) commerce**, like electronic commerce and payment capabilities through mobile telephones and PDAs
- **Network externalities in payment systems**, interoperability, standards, transaction security,...
- **Loyalty and governance issues** within payment card associations
- **Competition between payment networks**, externalities, loyalty programs for issuers,...
- **Antitrust issues**: multilateral interchange fees, exclusivity clauses,...

If you would like to present a paper at the conference, please submit an electronic copy to **Marie-Pierre BOE** (boe@cict.fr) by March 15, 2002 with the mention "Payment Networks Conference". Detailed abstracts will be considered, but preference will be given to completed papers.

If you would like to participate as a discussant or a panelist, please send an e-mail to **Jean-Charles ROCHET** (rochet@cict.fr) or **Jean TIROLE** (tirole@cict.fr) indicating your specific topics of interest.