



Second conference on
**THE ECONOMICS OF THE SOFTWARE
AND INTERNET INDUSTRIES**
Toulouse, January 17-18, 2003



THE OBJECTIVE OF THE CONFERENCE, cosponsored by the Institut D'Économie Industrielle ([IDEI](#), Toulouse) and the Centre for Economic Policy Research ([CEPR](#), London), is to discuss recent academic contributions to our understanding of the economics of the Software and Internet Industries, whether theoretical, econometric, experimental or policy oriented.

TOPICS TO BE COVERED include (this list is suggestive and not limitative; all contributions to our understanding of these industries and their consequences are welcome):

- ♦The industrial organization of the Software and Internet Industries (competition and regulation, contractual relationships, strategies of firms, demand).
- ♦Macroeconomic consequences (growth, employment) of the Software and Internet Industries.
- ♦E-commerce, including jurisdictional issues/taxation and competitive strategies.
- ♦The Internet and the financial sector.
- ♦New technologies of information and communication and the organization of firms.
- ♦Intellectual property policy for the Software and Internet Industries.

This conference is part of the program “Product Markets, Financial Markets and the Pace of Innovation in Europe”, organized by the CEPR (Programme director: Philippe Aghion).

THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE is composed of Philippe Aghion and Mathias Dewatripont (CEPR) and Claude Crampes, Jacques Crémer, Marc Ivaldi, Bruno Jullien, Jean-Jacques Laffont and Jean Tirole (IDEI).

PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS are invited to pre-register and/or to submit papers by sending or e-mailing the attached form, as soon as possible. There will be no registration fee.

Papers should be received by 31 October 2002 (abstracts will be considered, but papers are preferred). A decision will be made by 22 November 2002.

FURTHER INFORMATION on the conference and accommodation will be found on the [conference web page](#). More specific information will be sent to those who have pre-registered. Travel (APEX fare) and accommodations will be provided for speakers.

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