

In search of Wisdom in the ICT society

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As a short background *Main changes in people's lives* – structures and roles, will be sketched. What changes are going on in the *professional, private and citizen's role*? What is *Quality of Life* in the ICT society? What are the *human aspects that are sensitive* to the use of ICT – *behavior, values, motivation, and feelings*?

Convergence and acceleration are main processes at the interplay between technology, societal structure, organizational design, and human roles in the society. I will reflect on the convergence theory and discuss risks and opportunities in the 21st Century ICT society. Where are the “energy centers” that can activate and create changes towards “*The Good Information Community*” and “*The Good Information Society*”?

How can *Wisdom* be extracted - *wisdom on various levels of analysis*? What do voices from around the world tell us? How can agreements on Goals and Visions be achieved?

Co-mapping a possible *Tree of Actions* towards a good and sustainable society? Who are strategic stakeholders – passive and active/silent?

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Convergence Theory, ICT, Quality of Life, Human Beings, Identity, Stress, Power, Wisdom, Actions

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