



FITCE.be – The Belgian forum for the ICT & Media professionals' community.

Newsletter – July 2009

Dear FITCE.be friends,

Even in summer there is room for our knowledge sharing content. For those who still have to go on holiday, have a nice trip. For those who are already back at work, we hope you had a great time!

2009 is halfway and some believe the first signs of a cautious economic recovery can be seen. Let's hope they are right!

However, FITCE.be had an interesting first half year and we hope we were able to soothe the general economic down-feeling through the 2 interesting events where you could exchange your ideas and build on your professional network.

Generally, the summer is a good moment to look ahead and prepare for the rest of the year. Take some time to relax and to acquire new inspiring ideas; refresh your mind and prepare to revitalize your professional network.

One of FITCE.be's main objectives is to offer you such an environment that helps you to exchange ideas and strengthen your network.

This objective is also reflected in our events programme for the rest of 2009 as you will detect in this newsletter.

We wish you all a great 2nd half of 2009 and let's make the best of all the talents available within our community!

Summer greetings,  
The FITCE.be Board.

### **FITCE.be : New president and a renewed Board of Director**

According to its new statutes, FITCE.be has to elect a new President every 2 years. On its April 2009 Board meeting, Marc Verbruggen has been unanimously elected as FITCE.be's new president for a 2-year term.

Marc Verbruggen holds an Engineering Degree from the KU Leuven and has been working in Telecommunications for over 30 years in various positions both at the Supplier side as well as on the Operator side. Marc was amongst the founding members of FITCE.be back in November 1999 where José Van Ooteghem was elected as the first President of the new association.



When asked about his vision for FITCE.be in the coming years:

“Over the last 10 years FITCE.be evolved quite a lot from a main Telco-oriented organization towards a forum for ICT & Media Professionals. This change has resulted in a number of activities beyond the traditional Telco scope and an enlarged diversified audience at FITCE.be events. I think that José has done a great job of transforming our organization to where we currently are and believe a lot of good seeds have been put in the ground that will be the basis for a further evolution towards membership value in a converging world. We will focus on our mission: facilitate the exchange of views and insights on new developments in all aspects of ICT & Media Technologies and services. Our yearly international Congress, seminars and symposia on actual trends will be the main vehicle to accomplish our mission”.

The FITCE.be community wishes Marc the very best in his presidency.

The FITCE.be Board hereby wants to thank José for his great contribution in the success of FITCE.be over the last 10 years.

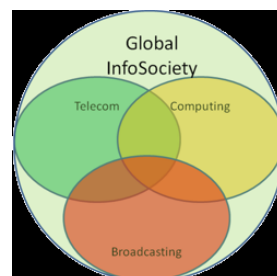
Also the Board of Directors of FITCE.be has been renewed – composition of the new Board of Directors and contact details can be consulted on our [website](#).

### **FITCE Europe Congress**

FITCE.be especially wants to highlight the 48th **FITCE Europe congress** which will take place in **Prague from Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> till Sept 5<sup>th</sup>**.

The theme of the Congress is “**ICT Transformation: Global InfoSociety realization in 2009?**”

Program and registration info can be found on [www.fitce2009.org](http://www.fitce2009.org).



### **Programme 2nd half of 2009**

FITCE.be is proud to present you its programme for the rest of 2009.

- **Oct 2009**  
Green telecom congress - “ICT for Green”
- **Dec 2009**  
“E-Car – a new dimension for driving”

Confirmation on exact date and location will be timely announced through our invitation emailing.

### **Reports of recent events**

Please find the reports of the recent FITCE events :

- T(e)V-olution – “From today’s content production to tomorrow’s consumer experience” (23/04/2009)
- Mobile Data Applications - “How to monetize the increasing mobile data traffic” (11/06/2009)