



## CALL FOR PAPERS

# International Conference on Knowledge/IT Based Development (ICKID 2008) Le Meridien Hotel, Madinah , Saudi Arabia March 25-27, 2008

Madinah once a beacon of knowledge for the world is planning to become a “ Center of Knowledge ” and serve as a Catalyst for the Renaissance and Revival of the Muslim Ummah. In a continuously changing world with technological, scientific, economic and social challenges, innovative and creative solutions are needed to compete in a civilized society.

Be a part of the action!

Add to the discussions in Madinah. Help to make this world a better place to live in. Can Muslims attain their proper leadership role in the world of engineering, science and technology? How Madinah can become a cluster of knowledge based economy? How the underdeveloped world can go on fast track to bridge the digital gap? Share your expertise with other engineers, scientists, physicians, professionals, business and government leaders. What are the challenges and what are the solutions? Submit an abstract on:

- **TECHNOLOGY:** Effective technology for enabling sustainability, improved standard of living, eliminating poverty and use of natural resources. Advanced technologies such as nanotechnology, communication and VoIP for bridging the gaps.
- **FUNDAMENTALS:** Fulfilling the mission critical for education, research and development, cluster formations, attracting and developing talent pool, and capital formation.
- **PARTNERSHIPS:** Building partnerships with government, educational institutions and industry.
- **THE MARKETPLACE:** Understanding the needs of the global marketplace, identifying technology gaps, and solutions for the future.
- **Historical Perspective:** Muslims achievements of the past and failure of the present, lessons learned and way forward.
- **Health Care:** Addressing challenges created by rapidly advancing technology at beginning and end of life ex-IVF, EOLC care, cancer care in developing countries, cost effective universal health care, nutrition and clean water, developing appropriate health care facilities at Madinah focusing on research, palliative care and or institutions of higher learning.

**Conference Sponsored By:** Islamic Medical Association of North America, Association of Muslim Scientists & Engineers, Federation of Islamic Medical Associations, Saudi Engineering & Medical Associations, Saudi Arabian General Investment Authority and Madinah Knowledge Economic City.

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The 2008 International Conference on Knowledge/IT Based Economic Development will be held during March 25-27, 2008 at the Le Meridien Hotel located in the historic city of Madinah , Saudi Arabia . The purpose of this conference is to provide a forum that brings together people from academy, industry, government agencies and practitioners in the fields of science and engineering to discuss and exchange ideas, research results, development activities, and applications related to knowledge/IT based development. There will also be sessions on entrepreneurship. The conference is organized in a way that facilitates a high degree of interaction, networking, and discussion among the conference participants. The conference will involve two main tracks -

1. **ICKID in the Engineering Sector and**
2. **ICKID in the Health Sector.**

The Program Committee solicits original papers and proposals for invited sessions, tutorials, workshops and panels on the latest trends and advancements in knowledge/IT based development especially related to health science and engineering topics. Additional information on the conference can be found at the conference website (under development).

### **Paper Submission Guidelines:**

Prospective authors are invited to submit a 300-word abstract for review by **November 15, 2007**. The abstract must be written in English and should be sent electronically to: faroquekhan@yahoo.com (medical) and malam@usouthal.edu (technology and others). Acceptance is based upon review of the abstract. Published works will not be accepted. Decisions of the *Papers Review Committee* will be transmitted to the authors by **December 31, 2007**. Final paper submission instructions will be provided with the acceptance notification and made available at the conference web site.

### **Organizing Invited Sessions, Workshops and Panel Discussions:**

Prospective organizers of sessions should submit proposals containing a description of the proposed session and related activity to the conference program chair. The first page of the draft proposal should include the title of the proposed session or workshop or panel, name of the organizer with affiliation, mailing address, email address, phone and fax numbers.

### **Exhibition:**

An exhibition from different vendors (industry, educational institutions, government agencies and other related institutions) is planned for the duration of the conference. Interested parties should contact Mr. Zubayer Anderson (email: zubayr.andersson@madinahkec.com). All exhibitors will be considered to be the co-sponsors of the conference.

### **Registration:**

Conference registration fee: \$100. A limited number of conference registration fee waivers are available. Please contact the Conference Program Chair.

### **Conference Co-Sponsors:**

AMSE, IMANA, FIMA, FEIIC, KSUST, and IEEE (Saudi Arabian Section).