Workshop

Building IT Structures
Supporting Developing Aid

Monday, February 23rd 2009

During the last semester in the frame of a project course „Developing Systems for Developing Countries“, 35 international students at the TU Berlin have developed an online platform called Building IT Structures (BITS), aiming to support development aid projects in the area of information technology and computer sciences. The working group Computer Science and Society at the GI (Gesellschaft für Informatik) has supported the idea.

Objectives:

• Support developing countries in establishing IT structures,
• Motivate students and graduates at German universities to engage in developing aid projects,
• Provide a platform for organizations and institutions to display their need for IT experts and to present their projects and work.

This platform will motivate students in the field of computer sciences at German universities to support developing aid projects by inserting their knowledge and acquired skills. This is increasingly important, as the current status of IT structures in many poorer countries is due to improvement – especially in times like this, where IT is a necessary prerequisite to progress in society and economy.

Program

Moderation: Prof. Mahr, TU Berlin
14:00 Uhr Prof. Steinbach, Vice President of TU Berlin
Prof. Heiß, Dean of Study Affairs at the School IV at TU Berlin
14:15 Uhr Welcome Note:
Dr. Koubek, Speaker of the working group Computer Science and Society at the Gesellschaft für Informatik
14:20 Uhr BITS project: introduction
Dr. Peroz, Head of the ZiiK at TU Berlin
14:30 Uhr BITS project: knowledge survey
Mr. Klimm, TU Berlin
15:00 Uhr BITS project: concept
Mr. Ahrndt, TU Berlin
15:15 Uhr Project BITS: live presentation
Mr. Zoschke, TU Berlin
16:00 Uhr coffee break and opportunity to test BITS
16:30 Uhr discussion
17:30 Uhr end

Venue:
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