

First call for Papers EVOTE2012



From 12-14 July 2012, the EVOTE2012 - the 5th International Conference on Electronic Voting - takes place in Castle Hofen, Bregenz, Austria.

Key facts

- The conference is organized by E-Voting. CC in cooperation with the Council of Europe and the Gesellschaft für Informatik.
- It brings together truly international E-Voting specialists working in academia, politics, government and industry from all over the world
- It provides room for an interdisciplinary and open discussion on all issues electronic voting
- The conference proceedings are published in the Lecture Notes in Informatics by GI.

Get the first call for papers @ www.e-voting.cc/2012

Welcome on board to E-Voting.CC

Iryna Susha joined E-Voting.CC in summer of 2011 in the capacity of a junior consultant and researcher. She works on designated research projects within E-Voting.CC and assists the Managing Director in consultancy work. She is a native Russian speaker with an Eastern European background. Iryna has recently finished her Master studies

Be part of this extraordinary event and join the e-voting community by submitting your knowledge and experience in an academic paper until 3rd February 2012.

Submission

Full paper submissions (double-spaced, 3500-4500 words excl. abstract, figures, references) will be subject to a double-blind review. Please submit anonymous submissions (with no reference to the authors).

Be aware of the important deadlines

- Submission of papers: 3rd February 2012
- Review deadline: 2nd March 2012
- Notification of acceptance 26th March 2012
- Final paper submission 20th April 2012

at Örebro University in Sweden; her degree thesis dealt with remote e-voting implementation challenges in the European region. Iryna's experience is backed by study visits to international organizations and an internship in the NGO sector. Additionally, she currently pursues a PhD education in Sweden focusing on electronic participation.

Inside E-Voting.CC



Dear reader.

Welcome to our third issue of the Modern Democracy News for 2011. We give you once again a short insight in the world of electronic voting and modern democracy. In this edition we want to inform you about several news concerning E-Voting.CC, like the relaunch of our database and the **First call for Papers for the EVOTE2012**. Please fill out our survey about the Modern Democracy Magazine, which was published recently. We provide you with information about the e-voting projects in Norway and Switzerland. The list of short news shows you the latest developments about e-voting in the world. I hope you enjoy reading the Modern Democracy News and look forward to your feedback.

Yours,

Manuel J. Kripp
(Managing Director E-Voting.CC)

Shortnews

E-voting in Nigeria in 2013

The Nigerian state Ebonyi wants to implement an electronic voting system for the local government elections in 2013 in order to improve the electoral system and hinder electoral disputes. More info @ <http://bit.ly/pRwmyl>

IBM as technology expert for Kenya

The international IT and consulting expert IBM supports Kenya in its efforts to implement electronic voting. 12 consultants from the Corporate Service Corps Programme provide their expertise to the Kenya ICT Board and other organizations to develop an e-voting master plan. Read the entire article @ <http://bit.ly/nVVBK>

Indian Commissioner states for e-voting

The Indian Election Commissioner Chikkamath wants to implement e-voting and e-registration in elections 2013 in order to facilitate voting for physically challenged, senior citizens and people confined to hospitals. More info @ <http://bit.ly/oKCBKS>

DB.E-Voting.CC – Relaunch of the Database on E-Voting

E-Voting.CC relaunches the database on electronic voting with a new layout, easier contribution interfaces and a mandatory registration for contributors. In February 2007 the idea for the database was born out of a research project by Krimmer, Volkamer and Triessnig. In 2009 E-Voting.CC launched the first database on electronic voting to extend the scarce existing documentation of electronic elections and to establish a comprehensive and credible source for the use of voting technologies throughout the world.

On 1st October 2011 the new E-Voting.CC database is relaunched continuing and extending the tradition of providing the knowledge on the future of voting. The database delivers facts and information on the use of electronic means of democracy for election practitioners, researchers and

Norway has voted electronically

During the most recent municipal and county elections voters in Norway had the chance to use an electronic remote voting channel for the first time. This election marks the final step in a large pilot project to develop, implement and assess the opportunities for Internet voting in Norway and to deploy a solution that is in line with the Norwegian electoral system and its tradition. Internet voting ability was only introduced in ten municipalities and nine counties in Norway. The voters registered in these areas were eligible to cast their vote online. The system for Internet voting was developed by ERGO and Scytl under the auspice of Ministry for Local Government and Regional Development. Now the final results are published and they reveal interesting findings. Apart from remote electronic voting the voters could use paper-based advanced voting as well as paper-based voting in polling stations on election day.

- No. of electronic voting eligible voters (10 municipalities): 167985
- Total electronic votes cast in the 10 municipalities: 27557
- Total advanced cast votes in the 10 municipalities: 10534
- Total number of advanced cast votes: 38091
- Percentage of the cast Internet votes out



The database on electronic voting by E-Voting.CC

developers. It is based on the original research project but will incorporate the latest research efforts to map the use of electronic voting in the near future. The most important changes are a new and updated layout as well as the obligation to register and be approved to contribute and edit the entries in the database.

We encourage you, the community of electronic voting to participate in our efforts to provide a full and comprehensive overview on the use of electronic voting, internet voting and voting technologies.

Get your access to the knowledge on the future of voting for free at <http://db.e-voting.cc>



- of the eligible voters using advanced voting: 22.68%
- Percentage of the cast paper votes out of the eligible voters using advanced voting: 6.27%
- Percentage of Internet votes of the advanced cast votes: 72.35%

Finally it is interesting to compare the electronically cast votes to the overall number of cast votes. 4.42% of all cast and eligible votes have been cast electronically. Given the fact that Internet voting was only available to approx. 170,000 people out of four million eligible citizens. The Norwegian pilot at the municipal elections can be considered a success.

Source: Ministry for Local Government and Regional Development (2011)
<http://bit.ly/qISVYq>

New online engagement tool for White House

The White House launched a new online engagement tool for US citizens, called "We the People". Individuals can create or support petition, which are being responded when there are enough signatures. Read more about We the People @ <http://1.usa.gov/ow7gop>

Indian radiologists vote electronically

Indian radiologists use e-registration and e-voting for the elections of office bearer of IRIA (Indian Radiological and Imaging Association) from 29th October to 7th November. More info @ <http://bit.ly/rjhKCz>

Gujarat ready for i-voting

In November 2011, the Indian state Gujarat is shifting in its municipal polls from EVM's to online voting. More info @ <http://on-msn.com/qFSswH>

Karnataka plans e-voting

Following Gujarat, the state Karnataka (India) is trying electronic voting means in its 2013 municipal elections. This should increase voter participation. More info @ <http://bit.ly/qDe8DM>

Arabic Emirates implement electronic election administration

The United Arabic Emirates implemented voting technology and e-registration solutions, provided from Scytl, to modernize the electoral process. Read the entire article @ <http://bit.ly/rcLHdC>

I-Voting in Estonia is constitutional

Following criticism of Internet Voting in Estonia, an assessment of constitutional experts came to the conclusion that Internet voting in Estonia is constitutional and legal. Read more @ <http://bit.ly/p5mJGZ>

Discussion Paper on I-Voting by Elections BC

Elections British Columbia has released a discussion paper on the subject of Internet voting. The goal is to present state of Internet voting across Canada and initiate a province wide discussion on the topic of Internet voting. Get your copy @ <http://bit.ly/pPqPzc>

Internet Voting in Slovakia?

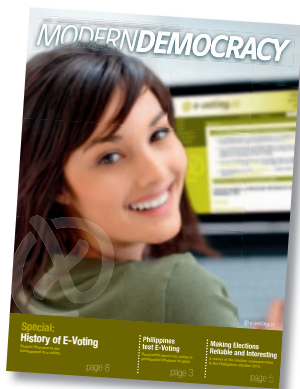
At the of September representatives from Slovakia and international e-voting experts - among them E-Voting.CC - came together to discuss the various aspects of Internet voting in Bratislava. The presentations as well as interviews are now available online @ <http://bit.ly/nEKJCS>

Modern Democracy Magazine 1-2011 is available

The Modern Democracy Magazine 1-2011 is available. It contains once again interesting stories about e-voting. The main theme of this issue is certification and testing of e-voting. If you are not on the subscribing list yet or if you did not receive it please contact m.kellner@e-voting.cc

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Swiss Elections to the National Council: First trials with E-Voting in elections at federal level

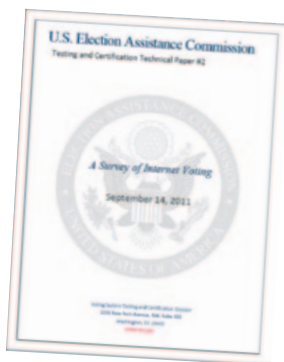
On Sunday, 23 October 2011, in occasion of the elections to the National Council, around 22 000 voters will be authorized to cast their votes electronically. These are the first trials ever with e-voting in elections at federal level in Switzerland. Four cantons (Basel-Stadt, Aargau, St. Gallen, Grisons) are going to conduct tri-

als with this new channel. Only Swiss voters living abroad will be authorized to participate. The Swiss Confederation pursues the long term goal of the introduction of e-voting as a third, complementary voting method – in addition to voting in person at the polling station and postal voting.

EAC's report published: Survey of Internet Voting

The US Election Assistance Commission conducted a "Survey of Internet Voting" projects from January 2000 to November 2011 worldwide.

The study examines the voting system architectures, the standards for designing and/or testing these systems and evaluation and management of system risks. It provides detailed descriptions of internet voting, including election data, technology provider and participating voter. 31 internet voting projects in 13 countries were examined. The survey identifies some interesting results and facts about the internet voting use.



You can download the survey @ <http://bit.ly/oHYIac>



Upcoming Events, Conferences and Workshops

4th Annual International Electoral Affairs Symposium 2011, 12-13 October 2011, London, UK, <http://bit.ly/og7TAS>

2011 EUDO Dissemination Conference, 9-10 November 2011, Brussels, Belgium. More info @ <http://bit.ly/oVIRj7>

CeDEM12 - Conference for E-Democracy and Open Government 2012, 3-4 May 2012, Krems, Austria. More info @ <http://bit.ly/nQNN6v>

EVOTE2012- 5th International Conference on Electronic Voting, 12-14 July 2012, Bregenz, Austria. More info @ <http://bit.ly/oYlc0J>

Electronic voting for Mexicans abroad

The Federal District Electoral Institute (IDEF) will explore options and ways of electronic voting to include Mexicans living abroad in the 2012 federal presidential elections. First information @ <http://bit.ly/o4SeLI>

Delvinia Report on Internet Voting

"eDemocracy and Citizen Engagement: The Delvinia Report on Internet Voting in the Town of Markham," examines the municipality's experience with Internet voting in the 2003, 2006 and 2010 municipal elections and provides a detailed overview of the impact of digital technologies on citizen engagement. Get more information @ <http://www.delvinia.com/digreport/>

Call for Papers

CeDEM



Save the date for the CeDEM12, the Conference for E-Democracy and Open Government: 3-4 May 2012 in Krems, Austria. The conference unites several tracks in the field of open democracy, electronic participation and open data:

- E-Participation
- Government 2.0
- Social Media and Public Administration
- E-Politics and E-Campaigning
- European Citizen Initiative
- Participatory Budgeting
- Bottom-Up Movements
- Open Data and Open Access

The submission deadline for papers is the 12th December, 2011. More information @ <http://bit.ly/nQNN6v>

International Journal of Managing Information Technology (IJMIT)

The IJMIT is open for submissions from various IT related fields among them is electronic voting and e-government systems. Deadline for Submission is 30 October 2011. More information @ <http://bit.ly/yt3n57>

eGovernment Review

The deadline for submission of abstracts is 19 October 2011. The 9th issue will contain articles in the area of e-government and electronic voting. Submit your abstract in ENG or GER by email to w.exelsberger@fh-kaernten.at

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