

Preface

The 2nd International Conference on Internet Science “Societies, governance and innovation” took place in Brussels during May 27–29, 2015, under the aegis of the European Commission, by the EINS project, the FP7 European Network of Excellence in Internet Science.

The main objective of this highly multidisciplinary conference is to foster dialogue among scholars and practitioners in Internet science; an interdisciplinary area that draws on Computer Science, Sociology, Art, Mathematics, Physics, Complex systems analysis, Psychology, Economics, Law, Political Science, Epistemology, and other disciplines in order to study the Internet as a sociotechnical phenomenon closely related to various areas of human activity, under technological and humanistic perspectives. This year the focus was on the contribution and role of Internet science on the current and future multidisciplinary understanding of societal transformation, governance shifts, and innovation quests.

This conference was built on the achievements of the 1st International Conference on Internet Science, which was successfully held during April 9–11, 2013 at the Royal Flemish Academy of Belgium for Science and the Arts, Brussels, organized by the EINS project, with the support of the European Commission DG CONNECT and attracted over 140 participants.

The accepted papers of the 2nd International Conference on Internet Science are organized into the following thematic topics:

- Internet Science in Reflection
- Internet Science and Societal Innovations
- Internet and Innovation

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