

Global Justice Information Sharing Users' Conference
August 21–23, 2007
Chicago, Illinois

Call for Participation

Deadline: May 15, 2007

The Global Justice XML Data Model (GJXDM) Training and Technical Assistance Committee (GTTAC) invites proposals for presentations, panel sessions, and tutorials on topics related to the implementation and use of the GJXDM or the National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) at the Third Annual Global Justice Information Sharing Users' Conference, scheduled for August 21–23, 2007, in Chicago, Illinois.

This conference will cover the application of XML technologies, *specifically utilizing the GJXDM and NIEM*, to enable and facilitate all aspects of justice information sharing; the delivery of justice, public safety, and incident management; and the securing of our homeland.

Because the Users' Conference is expected to attract a diverse audience of policymakers, technologists, management, and operational staff from all levels and branches of government, presentations should address the specific needs of these audiences from a technical, organizational, and professional development and training approach. It is estimated that the conference will attract 300 attendees.

Topic areas of interest include, but are not limited to, the following categories:

- Case studies illustrating a specific implementation of the GJXDM or NIEM to an information sharing objective, as well as performance metrics and/or return on investment analysis related to the implementation.
- Techniques used and lessons learned during each stage of the IEPD development process. Definition of scenario, requirements analysis, domain modeling, mapping, and schema creation.
- Practices for exchange prioritization regarding the development of IEPDs
- The application of business process rules and policies, particularly with regard to privacy, data ownership, and data access in the implementation of exchanges in both domain-specific and cross-domain efforts.
- Migration and/or mapping strategies from proprietary (or nonproprietary) application interfaces to the GJXDM or NIEM, including tools to support these strategies.
- Migration and/or transformation strategies between versions of the GJXDM and NIEM, including prerelease versions.
- Case studies illustrating component reuse deriving from GJXDM or NIEM Information Exchange Package Documentation (IEPD).
- Regional information sharing projects that illustrate the shared use of common GJXDM or NIEM IEPDs.
- Transport Strategies—Sessions targeting how to make GJXDM/NIEM work with Web services.
- Overall Information Sharing Approach—Sessions regarding service oriented architecture (SOA) aligning with the direction of Global. Provide an overall approach to designing information exchanges and ensuring interoperability at all levels, from policy and business process to message exchange.

- The challenges in developing domain-specific vocabularies in an increasingly cross-industry, cross-language, and cross-border world; analysis of how domain-specific vocabulary development groups can best provide investment protection via schema extensibility and/or versioning, component reuse, schema coconstraints, business validation rules, and management policies.
- Exchanges across disciplines and/or exchanges utilizing the GJXDM or NIEM to groups outside of the typical justice community, including, but not limited to, transportation, health/human services, education agencies, and homeland security.

Proposal Instructions

GTTAC invites submissions of proposals for a presentation, panel discussion, or tutorial that addresses the implementation of the GJXDM, with a focus on the aforementioned topics or other topics of pertinent interest. GTTAC may adapt or restructure proposals submitted to ensure an interesting and technically compelling program.

GTTAC will provide online links to the proceedings of the Users' Conference. Authors should arrange any necessary releases for publication prior to submitting proposals.

To submit a proposal, please send the following information by e-mail to: **Trelles D'Alemberte**, Institute for Intergovernmental Research, at (850) 385-0600, extension 295, or tdalemberte@iir.com.

- ❖ Submit the contact information of the author(s) and/or presenter(s), and include the following information: name, title, affiliation, postal address, telephone, fax, and e-mail.
- ❖ Indicate the primary contact person for the proposal or panel discussion.
- ❖ Provide a brief biography (one paragraph) for all author(s) and/or presenter(s).
- ❖ Submit a one-page abstract outlining the subject, title, and key points of the presentation, panel discussion, or tutorial. (Proposals for panels should include the topic, three to four potential panelists [name and/or role], and proposed format; e.g., question-and-answer or short presentations.)
- ❖ Indicate the type of participant to whom your session will be directed; e.g., technical/operational/administrative.
- ❖ Indicate the amount of time the presentation, panel discussion, or tutorial will take to complete. Please note: Each session will be scheduled for 1 hour and 30 minutes, including a question-and-answer period. Similar proposals may be combined to fit the conference schedule.
- ❖ Indicate special room setup and audiovisual requirements.
- ❖ Indicate whether you will grant permission for taping (audio/video) of your session.

NOTE: All submissions will be acknowledged. If your proposal is accepted, you will be responsible for the cost of your travel to the conference. The registration fee will be waived. If the presentation is a panel presentation, one registration fee per agency/organization will be waived.

Company/Vendor Presentations

GTTAC is committed to expanding the understanding of the technology implications and vision of XML and related technology. To be considered, vendors should submit educational presentations on technical issues and future development in the field. **Presentation partnerships with justice system or other public sector collaborators are strongly encouraged. Vendor presentations should avoid promoting particular products or services.**

Important Dates

Proposals Due:	May 15, 2007
Notification:	Starting June 1, 2007
Presentation Materials Due:	August 1, 2007
Users' Conference:	August 21–23, 2007

A presenters briefing will be held on August 20, 2007, from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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