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ANNOUNCING AMCIS 2005 in OMAHA

Omaha, NE. The University of Nebraska's Peter Kiewit Institute through the College of Information Science and Technology (IS&T) is proud to officially announce the award of the AMERICAS CONFERENCE ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS (AMCIS) to be hosted in the new Omaha Convention Center from August 11-14th, 2005. This conference is expected to attract nearly 1200 registered delegates and numerous additional attendees in the form of family members, pre-conference activities, academic and industry recruiters, and exhibitors.

This conference has been awarded to Omaha as the culmination of a one-year effort by Dean David Hinton, Dr. Deepak Khazanchi, and Dr. Ilze Zigurs of the College of IS&T with substantive assistance and support provided by Molly Hurley of The Greater Omaha Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Metropolitan Entertainment Authority (MECA).

According to Dean David Hinton, "It is a delight to have more than a thousand information technology professionals coming to Omaha for their conference. Not only are we pleased to have the opportunity to share our College efforts and the unique concept of The Peter Kiewit Institute with them, but we look forward to having our guests see the many wonderful attributes of the Omaha community."

About AIS and AMCIS

The Association of Information Systems (AIS) is *the premier global organization for academics specializing in Information Systems* with nearly 2,700 members representing nearly 50 countries from North America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia. AIS was founded in 1994, as a professional organization whose purpose is to serve as the premier global organization for academics specializing in Information Systems and to advance knowledge in the use of information technology to improve organizational performance and individual quality of work life. The AIS sponsors two major conferences, AMERICAS CONFERENCE ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS (AMCIS) and INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS (ICIS). AIS also endorses regional conferences in the Pacific-Rim countries (PACIS) and Europe (ECIS), and hosts a virtual bulletin board, ISWorldNet, subscribed by more than 2,500 IS academics and professionals worldwide. For more information on AIS and its activities, please visit <http://www.aisnet.org/>.

The annual **Americas Conference on Information Systems (AMCIS)** is a gathering of Information Systems (IS) academics and research-oriented practitioners held in North, Central and South America of the Association for Information Systems (AIS) membership. The first AMCIS conference was held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in August 1995. Since then the AMCIS conference has grown to over 1,000 attendees and more than 35 mini- and meta-tracks for paper submissions.

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The research and pedagogical interests of the IS community are well represented in the selection from over 400 papers and 10 panel presentations. AMCIS also hosts a three-day mini-workshop session prior to the full conference agenda, as well as an annual doctoral consortium. **Some cities that have hosted or will host AMCIS include Long Beach (2000), Boston (2001), Dallas (2002), Tampa (2003), and New York (2004).**

AMCIS is a key element of the services that AIS provides to its members and to the broader information systems academic community. AMCIS also provides a placement service that has listings of universities seeking faculty applicants and applicants seeking a faculty position.

AMCIS is also an opportunity for information systems faculty to meet and review the latest offerings from major vendors, publishers, and suppliers. The large number of attendees in a dedicated field is a strong draw for major players in the information systems academic marketplace.

The proceedings from all AMCIS conferences are available to AIS members via the AIS E-Library. Annual subscriptions are also available to libraries and universities. The 1995-2001 AMCIS conference proceedings are also available for purchase in hard copy and/or CD version via the AIS website.

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