



Lancashire & Cumbria ICT Clusters

Lancaster Meeting

11th March 2008
How to get there

HW Communications, Parkfield
www.hwcomms.co.uk/Contact.html

HW Communications invites you to a special topic cluster meeting focused on data sharing and privacy. The evening will consist of an open discussion workshop to understand each others concerns and understanding of an area where all ICT companies have a differing level of responsibility. This is followed by an invited talk given by a leading expert in the field, Dr Edgar Whitley, from the London School of Economics and Political Science who will present further issues regarding the public's perception of privacy and consent.

AGENDA

5:00 - 5:25 Food, Coffee and Networking

5:25 - 5:30 Introductions

5:30 - 6:30 The Workshop

This is the opportunity for the Lancaster ICT SME to have a say in the way that electronic data is shared now and how it may be managed in the future.

EnCoRe (www.encore-project.info) is a multi-disciplinary research project, spanning across a number of IT and social science specialisms, which is researching how and developing new technologies to improve the rigour and ease with which individuals can grant and, more importantly, revoke their consent for the use, storage and sharing of their personal data by others. The project is funded by both Industry and the UK Government's Technology Strategy Board and research councils and is lead by Hewlett Packard Research Labs in Bristol. HW Communications is a key partner in this project for the design and implementation of the resultant systems.

The overall vision of this project is to make giving consent as reliable and easy as turning on a tap, and revoking that consent as reliable and easy as turning it off again.

As part of the project we are holding a number of facilitated workshops focussing on key elements of the project. ***Please come and have your say!***

6:30 - 7:00 The Presentation

Changing public perceptions of privacy and consent
Dr Edgar Whitley, The LSE

It is increasingly common to find the issue of privacy being prominently covered in the news, reflecting changing public perceptions of this important topic. In his presentation, Edgar will review some of the recent developments in public perceptions of privacy and discuss the implications in terms of issues like data sharing and consent.

Dr Edgar A Whitley is a reader in information systems at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). He is the research co-ordinator for the LSE Identity Project and a member of the EnCoRe project

7:00 - 7:30 AOBs, meeting close and informal networking