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10th Conference on Database Systems for Business, Technology and the Web (BTW 2003)

February 26 - 28, 2003, University of Leipzig, Germany

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The 10th Conference on **Database Systems for Business, Technology and the Web (BTW)** will take place from February 26 - 28, 2003, in Leipzig. The bi-annual BTW conference is the major forum of the database communities in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, and brings together scientists and practitioners from this central European region and beyond. The BTW 2003 conference will be hosted by the University of Leipzig located in the center of the city. Leipzig is a city in East Germany of great cultural heritage: it is the city of the late work of Johann Sebastian Bach, the location of Auerbachs Keller made famous by Goethe's Faust, the place where Napoleon was defeated in the Battle of Nations in 1813, and the origin of the German reunification starting with the Monday Demonstrations in 1989.

The BTW 2003 comprises **three invited talks** of distinguished speakers

- *Prof. Dr. Frank Leymann*, IBM Böblingen:
„Web Services: Distributed Applications Without Limits“
- *Prof. Dr. Alon Halevy*, Univ. of Washington (Seattle):
„Data Integration: A Status Report“
- *Prof. Dr. Peter Lockemann*, Univ. Karlsruhe:
„Information System Architectures: From Art to Science“

and a carefully selected **scientific program** and an **industrial program** of over 40 talks on current research and application topics.

Prior to the BTW conference, four tutorials, two workshops and a student program are offered. Further conference highlights include the opening ceremony in the new concert hall (Gewandhaus) and a dissertation award ceremony. A get-together reception for all participants, a guided city walking tour and the conference dinner in Auerbachs Keller complete the conference program.

Detailed information on the conference program, tutorials and workshops as well as on the social program, hotels and online registration can be found on the conference website www.btw2003.de.

Early registration deadline is **January 31, 2003**. The generous support of our sponsors, listed on the conference website, helped us to keep the fees low:

Conference fees	before 01/31/2003	after 01/31/2003	incl. KiVS
<i>Regular fee</i> (incl. conference dinner, get-together and proceedings)	265 €	290 €	+ 70 €
<i>Members of the German Informatics society GI</i> (incl. conference dinner, get-together and proceedings)	215 €	240 €	+ 70 €
<i>Students</i> (incl. get-together)	20 €	25 €	

When registering for the BTW conference you can also sign on for the workshops and the city walking tour, both free of charge. For an additional fee, BTW participants can also attend the German conference on Communications in Distributed Systems *KiVS 2003* taking place in Leipzig at the same time.