NEWS

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Ann Moyal, a member of the *Prometheus* Editorial Board, has been awarded an AM in the Order of Australia "for services to science and technology, especially for the recording of its history".

LACASIS AWARD

Prometheus General Editor Don Lamberton is the recipient of the 1993 LACASIS Award for Contributions to Information Science. This award was established by the American Society for Information Science Los Angeles Chapter "to honour those individuals who are recognized by their colleagues as exceptional leaders who have made significant contributions to the field, and whose dedication, commitment and vision are an inspiration to others". Past recipients include Professors Harold Borko and Robert Hayes, University of California Los Angeles; Professor M. E. Maron, University of California Berkeley; Carlos Cuadra, Cuadra Associates, Inc.; and William Paisley, Knowledge Access, Inc.

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Population, Resources and Environment: Prospects and Initiatives

June 5-12, 1995 International Convention Center Beijing, China

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- (5) South-North cooperation and sustainable development
- (6) Natural Disaster Mitigation

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- •Diversity Assessment, Dynamics and Conservation in the Terrestrial Biota of New Caledonia
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Edward Wheeler, a member of the *Prometheus* Editorial Board and an editor at the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics died in Canberra on 3 October 1993. As a long time editor of the ANZAAS journal, *Search*, he had a wide knowledge of science and technology.

INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SOCIETY

Tenth International Conference Hosted by Telstra Corporation

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The convergence of telecommunications, mass media, and computer technologies brought the spectacular developments of ubiquitous intelligent interconnect systems. In recent times the debate about privatization and regulation has pushed the technological informational, social changes off center stage. Nevertheless, the underlying role of information continues to generate "creative destruction" with "new" industrial structures and calls for new ways of organizing; new international relationships needing new methods of coordination; and new ways of working and living that demand new training and education.

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- •Demand and Usage
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Theme 2 REGULATION: AT WHAT LEVEL?

- •Regulation in the Collision of Industry Structures
- Universal Service
- •National vs. Regional and International Initiatives
- •Economics of "New" Regulation

Pricing

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- •Intellectual Property Rights
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- •"New" Industry Structures?
- Internationalization
- •Infrastructures: New Technologies and Capacity
- •Pricing: Trends and Strategies
- •R&D under Competition
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- •Role/Evidence/Measurement
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- •Changing Trade and Communications Patterns

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