and Culture (CSCC) at St Louis University. The CSCC is an international service of the Society of Jesus established in 1997. The emphasis of this publication is to provide review articles and book reviews of the latest communication research. For example, Vol. 16, No. 3 contains a review article by Walter Ong, SJ, on 'Information and/or Communication: Interaction' as well as reviews of some 14 books. The journal is published four times every year.

White Paper on Science and Technology: Preparing for the 21st Century

South African Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology

Pretoria, Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology, 1996, 47 pp., ISBN 0 6211 7590 0

This South African Government White Paper was released in Pretoria on 4 September 1996. It outlines the science and technology strategy of the South African government. The Canadian public corporation, the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) provided technical support to the Department in the formulation of this strategy document.

Handbook of Communication Technologies 1996: Telecommunications and Corporate Networking in Southern Africa and Selected African Countries

BMi TechKnowledge
Johannesburg, International Data Corporation, South Africa, 1996, 377 pp., no ISBN available.

This is a comprehensive report summarising telecommunication technology indicators and policy trends in Africa. There are some 25 chapters with key chapters devoted to country profiles which include South Africa and Botswana.

Empowering Communities in the Information Society: Conference Proceedings

Compiled by J.D. Berlyn

Development Bank of South Africa, 1996, 215 pp., ISBN 1 9196 9213 4

The conference proceedings cover two volumes (A and B) and relate to a conference on Empowering Communities in the Information Society held at Helderfontein Estates, Glen Ferness, Fourways, South Africa, 15–17 May 1996. The proceedings include papers on global issues and South African issues as well as an excellent address list of participants. An electronic format for these proceedings can be found at < http:SN.APC.ORG/ECIS/ >

Effects on Employment of the Liberalisation of the Telecommunications Sector

BIPE Conseil, IFO Institute (Munich) and LENTIC Institute (Liège)
Brussels, European Commission (DG V and DG XIII), 1997, 280 pp., no ISBN available.

The aim of this study commissioned by the EC was to survey 15 member countries over the period 1993–2005 to analyse the effects on employment at both the direct and

indirect level. The report predicts an optimistic outcome for the economy as a whole but more 'subtle' employment effects in the telecommunications sector specifically.

Multimedia—Potentials and Challenges from an Economic Perspective

Dieter Elixmann & Peter Kürble (Eds)

Bad Honnef, Wissenschaftliches Institut für Kommunikationsdienste (WIK), 1996, 260 pp., ISSN 1431–066X

This book contains papers presented at the WIK workshop Multimedia—Potentials and Challenges from an Economic Perspective which took place in Königswinter, Germany on 3–4 December 1996. The workshop was attended by around 40 participants who came from Austria, Germany, Japan, Italy, Mexico, the Netherlands, UK, USA and Sweden.

Technikfolgenabschätzung und Technikgestaltung in der Telekommunikation

Franz Büllingen (Ed.)

Bad Honnef, Wissenschaftliches Institut für Kommunikationsdienste (WIK), 1996, 360 pp., ISSN 1431–066X

This book contains papers presented at the WIK Workshop Technology Assessment and Technological Change in Telecommunications which took place in Königswinter, Germany on 8–9 October 1996. The 16 chapters in this set of conference proceedings cover themes such as change in the nature of work, information society and innovation strategy. It is published in German.

The Urban Research Program: 1966–1996

Patrick Troy

Canberra, Urban Research Program, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University, 1997, 78 pp., ISBN 0 7315 2812 3

The Urban Research Program at the Australian National University, Canberra, is the oldest, most substantial research centre focusing on the problems of Australian urban areas. This report outlines the history of the Program as well as a description of its contribution to scholarship and the understanding of urban issues in Australia and more generally.

Rural and Regional.au/for All: Report of the Working Party Investigating the Development of Online Infrastructure and Services Development in Regional and Rural Australia

Information Policy Advisory Council

Canberra, Commonwealth Department of Communications and the Arts, 1997, iii + 94 pp., ISBN 0 6422 7156 9

This report is from the Information Policy Advisory Council (IPAC) on the role of information technology in promoting employment opportunities and regional develop-