

## Foundation for Information Technology Education

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## Welcome to "The Big D" and ISECON 2006!!

## Dear Colleague:

The Information Systems Educator's Conference (ISECON) provides special opportunities for information technology faculty. For a quarter of a century, the Foundation for Information Technology Education has been providing this forum of a broad spectrum of presentation topics, and a special camaraderie to be shared by those who attend.

This week, we are gathering to expand our understanding of information systems education. We are extremely grateful for the efforts of Marcos Sivitanides and the EDSIG conference team and Kevin Jetton, FITE Regent, for organizing such a quality event.

The authors, reviewers, presenters, and panelists, in conjunction with the ISECON committee, have collaborated to make this national conference function smoothly. In addition, those involved with registration, logistics, and local arrangements deserve special thanks. Anyone who has worked on the planning and execution of a conference of this magnitude can certainly appreciate the amount of effort necessary to present such an excellent conference and the related proceedings.

The Foundation for Information Technology Education (EF) exists to advance the state of education and practice in the Information Technology profession. We are extremely fortunate to partner with the Education Special Interest Group (EDSIG) of the Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP) in developing the annual ISECON conference Through this conference, we offer a forum in which IT educators can interact, learn, and then return to their classrooms to shape the skills and knowledge of tomorrow's IT professionals.

On behalf of the FITE Board of Regents, I extend our gratitude to those who have participated over the last few years to build the coalition that draws on the combined strengths of EDSIG, AITP and FITE.

We hope ISECON 2006 will be a valuable experience – from both a personal networking and professional development view. We also sincerely hope you will join us next year at ISECON 2007 in Pittsburgh, Oct 31-Nov 4, 2007. In the meantime--have a great time in "The Big D"!!

Sincerely,

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