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Introduction to IMDEA

- ◆ IMDEA Foundation: www.imdea.org
- ◆ Funded through the Regional Government of Madrid, Spanish Government and European Union
- ◆ One initiative, nine research institutes
- ◆ Close links with industrial partners such as Telefónica, ATOS Origin, Repsol, EADS, Hewlett-Packard, Alcatel-Lucent, BŠCH, BBVA, Teldat, SATEC, and other leading technology companies
- ◆ Important role in technology and knowledge transfer
- ◆ Supports sustainable long-term development
- ◆ Current IMDEA institutes: **Networks**, Water, Social Sciences, Energy, Mathematics, Materials, Nanotechnology, Software, Food technologies

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IMDEA Networks at the heart of the Digital Economy

- ◆ An International Research Institute located in Madrid
- ◆ Our mission:
 - “To develop the scientific and technical advances that make the Future Wireless Internet a reality, contributing with these advances to create significant industrial and social value in our environment”*
- ◆ Spin-offs strongly supported
- ◆ Emphasis on delivering innovations for innovative commercial applications
- ◆ Non-for-profit organization, but creating profits around us!
- ◆ A fully international team of researchers with English as the Institute’s working language
- ◆ Based on the principle of merit and competition
- ◆ Bridging the gap between academia and industry

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 - ❖ Carlos Balaguer (UC3M)
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 - ❖ Pending: UPM
- ◆ Technology Park:
 - ❖ General Manger of IMADE, on behalf of “Leganés Tecnológico” Park
- ◆ Corporations:
 - ❖ Telefónica Labs
 - ❖ Hewlett-Packard
 - ❖ BBVA
 - ❖ SATEC
 - ❖ TELDAT
- ◆ Industrial sector experts:
 - ❖ Dr. Juan Mulet, Director of COTEC Foundation
 - ❖ Carlos Nieva, Director of Operations of Alcatel-Lucent
- ◆ Regional Government:
 - ❖ Secretary of the Regional Government
 - ❖ Commissioner of Education
 - ❖ General Director of Universities and Research
 - ❖ General Director for Industrial Innovation
 - ❖ General Manager of Madri+D Foundation

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Our Credo

- ◆ We believe in group discussion and in bright individual ideas
- ◆ We do not believe in voting and committees (*IETF*)
- ◆ We believe in running code and rough consensus (*IETF*)
- ◆ Demo or die (better than publish or perish) (*Academia*)
- ◆ Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration (*T.A. Edison*)

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Short CV of A. Azcorra

- ◆ Graduated from Loy-Knorr High, Michigan (1980)
- ◆ Telecom Engineer from UPM (1986) with "Sobresaliente" average grade
 - ◆ "Price-Waterhouse" award to the best Telecom student from UPM
- ◆ Doctor in Telecom from UPM (1989) with "Cum-Laude" grade
 - ◆ Joint COIT-AEIT-ANIEL prize to the best Telecom PhD Thesis in Spain
- ◆ MBA from Instituto de Empresa (1992)
 - ◆ Award to the best student in his MBA class
- ◆ Deputy Vice-Rector at U. Carlos III de Madrid (1998-2007)
- ◆ Full-professor at U. Carlos III de Madrid (1999)
- ◆ Research Fellowship at ICSI U.C. Berkeley (1999)
- ◆ Coordinator of three European Networks of Excellence: E-NET, E-NEXT and CONTENT
- ◆ Research Fellowship at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2002)
- ◆ Member of Scientific Committee of FECYT (2004-)
- ◆ General Chair of CoNEXT (2005)
- ◆ Technical Program Committee Chair of INFOCOM (2006)
- ◆ President of Association for Telematics (2006)
- ◆ IEEE Senior Member, ISOC Member
- ◆ Participated and directed a large number of European research projects
- ◆ Advisor of top institutions such as European Space Agency, Ministry of Education, Repsol, MFS-Worldcom, Regional Government of Madrid, Telefónica, ...
- ◆ More than 100 international papers in the most prestigious conferences and magazines, also author of patents and of Sw licensed to large companies.

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Our Scientific Profile

- ◆ **Director of the Institute**
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Arturo Azcorra, U. Carlos III de Madrid
- ◆ **Scientific Council:**
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Hari Balakrishnan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 - ❖ Dip. Ing. Gonzalo Camarillo, Ericsson Labs at Finland
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Jon Crowcroft, U. Cambridge
 - ❖ Dip. Ing. David del Val, Techfoundries
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Jim Kurose, U. Massachusetts at Amherst
 - ❖ Dr. Huw Oliver, former Director of HP Internet Labs
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Ioannis Stavrakakis, National Kapodistrian University of Athens
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Ralf Steinmetz, Tech. University of Darmstadt
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Lixia Zhang, U. of California at Los Angeles
 - ❖ Prof. Dr. Zhi-Li Zhang, U. Minnesota

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Strategic Research Agenda (I)

- ◆ **Inputs received from:**
 - ❖ Scientific Council meeting
 - ❖ Industrial Board members meeting
 - ❖ EC-IST Area Director of Converged Networks & Services
 - ❖ Panel of experts for initial document
 - ❖ Other relevant agents
- ◆ **Internal definition process based on best practices document from NSF funded Centers**

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Strategic Research Agenda (II) Future Wireless Internet

◆ IMDE Networks Vision

"Our vision is that Internet will significantly expand its wireless access capabilities in the next 10 years. We call this phenomenon the Future Wireless Internet, and we envision that it will seamlessly provide secure media and data services among at least 10^{12} heterogeneous wireless devices"

◆ IMDEA Networks Mission

"To develop the scientific and technical advances that make the Future Wireless Internet a reality, contributing with these advances to create significant industrial and social value in our environment"

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Strategic Research Agenda (III) Future Wireless Internet

❖ Audiovisual Content Distribution Networks

- ✓ Multicast, QoS, Web, ...

❖ Pervasive Internet Access

- ✓ Network Mobility, vertical handover, VANETs, ..

❖ Security and Privacy

- ✓ Particularly relevant in a wireless environment

❖ Resilient Scalable Network Control

- ✓ Naming, addressing, multipath routing, mesh, ...

❖ Alternative business models

- ✓ Pricing, community infrastructures, ...

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Human Resources: Key issue

- ◆ Excellency may only be achieved through bright researchers
- ◆ Active programs to capture the best researchers worldwide
- ◆ Young people is key in our sector:
 - ❖ Trained in the most recent technologies
 - ❖ Fresh disruptive ideas
 - ❖ Very motivated to commercialize through big companies or their own start-up
- ◆ Personnel Structure:
 - ❖ ~5 Chief Researchers
 - ❖ ~15 Senior Researchers
 - ❖ ~80 Pre-doc Research Assistants
 - ❖ ~40 Undergrad interns from partner universities

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Human Resources: renovation

- ◆ Personnel renovation encouraged to maintain freshness and a good flow of new ideas
- ◆ Doctors expected to develop a commercial value technology and leave (~7 years)
- ◆ Pre-doc staff to remain for their PhD duration (~4 years), and leave
- ◆ No pre-doc staff will be hired as Researcher before a 3 year period after the finalization of his pre-doc contract
- ◆ Exchange programs to have frequent visiting researchers coming from and going to other leading Research institutions world-wide

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Human resources: our offer

- ◆ A challenging vision with clear, well focused, research ideas
- ◆ A work environment that is demanding, participative, stimulating, and fun
- ◆ A prestigious research team
- ◆ An efficient organization providing excellent service
- ◆ Good research installations and laboratories
- ◆ Good technical support for research
- ◆ Competitive salary and benefits
- ◆ Strong and solid corporate identity and image
- ◆ Full support to transfer your results to industry, or to set your own start-up company
- ◆ 50% Financial participation in IPR-generated income
- ◆ Support with all visa, relocation, ... procedures
- ◆ Madrid is a quality city, well connected and with significant IT industry

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Human resources: attracting the brightest young researchers worldwide

- ◆ Internationally Competitive offer to Research Assistants
- ◆ Regional programs to attract brightest people worldwide:
 - ❖ South America
 - ❖ Europe
 - ❖ India
 - ❖ Mediterranean
 - ❖ Far East
- ◆ PhD Program from our partner Universities (U. Carlos III, ...)
- ◆ Department to handle all immigration and relocation issues

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Research Assistants

- ◆ **IIT Interns 2008/2008:**
 - ❖ IIT Kanpur, IIT Guwahati, IIT Bombay, IIT Jaipur
- ◆ **Research Assistant Applications 2007-08:**
 - ❖ Spain, The Netherlands, Romania, Sweden, Italy, Turkey
- ◆ **Research Assistant Applications 2008-09:**
 - ❖ Pakistan, Spain, India, United Kingdom, Brasil, Italy, Chad, Taiwan, Iran

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Visiting Researchers 2007-08

- ◆ **Incoming 2007-08:**
 - ❖ Jon Crowcroft, U. Cambridge (UK)
 - ❖ Nick Maxemchuk Columbia University (USA)
- ◆ **Outgoing 2007-08:**
 - ❖ Pablo Serrano, U. Massachussetts at Amherst (USA)
- ◆ **Incoming 2008-09:**
 - ❖ Gustavo de Veciana, U. Texas at Austin (USA)
 - ❖ Nicolas Georganas, U. Ottawa (Canada)

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Permanent Researchers

- ◆ Arturo Azcorra, double appointment with U. Carlos III
- ◆ Nick Maxemchuk, double appointment with Columbia University
- ◆ Positions open: new hirings expected soon

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Institute Location

- ◆ **Current Locations in Leganes (Madrid):**
 - ❖ Avda. de la Universidad, 30 (U. Carlos III de Madrid)
 - ❖ Avda. del Mar Mediterraneo, 22 (U. Carlos III de Madrid)
- ◆ **Final Location in Leganes: specific building of 8,000 m2**
- ◆ **Building plan: from end 2008 to end 2010**
 - ❖ 100 Researchers
 - ❖ 20 persons for administration and services
 - ❖ 12 support staff
 - ❖ Laboratories and test-beds
 - ❖ Regional Research Network REDI Madrid
- ◆ **Located in the Science-Techno-Business Park “Leganés Tecnológico” (joint venture of IMADE, UC3M and Leganes Municipality)**
 - ❖ Excelent communications by road, bus and subway
 - ❖ Top corporate and university environment

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Institute location: main site building (to be built)

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Professional Management and organization

- ◆ **IMDEA Networks Manager: Mark Evamy**
- ◆ **Fully automatized procedures with electronic-signature**
- ◆ **Project support Department**
- ◆ **IPR Department**
- ◆ **Engineering Department**
- ◆ **Start-up support Department**
- ◆ **Telematics Services Department**
- ◆ **Operations Department**
- ◆ **Facilities Department**
- ◆ **Institutional Relations Department**
- ◆ **General Administration Department**

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