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**Distance Learning as an e-Infrastructures application: innovation and future trends
Habitat Centre, New Delhi, India, 28-29 January 2009**

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The [BELIEF](#) and [6CHOICE](#) consortia are organising a joint symposium, supported by the [GLOBAL](#) and [6DEPLOY](#) projects. The event will take place on the 28 - 29 January 2009 at the [India Habitat Centre](#), Lodhi Road, New Delhi, India.

The event will provide a valuable platform to foster networking and support discussions on **e-Infrastructure for Distance Learning** which has become one of the top priorities not only of the Indian Government, but of the whole global Learning Society. However its adoption and the maturity of existing structures remain quite unequal from region to region.

In this light, the scope of the symposium is to **understand**, together with researchers, developers, users and policy makers, **how European and Indian e-Infrastructure links can evolve. Innovative approaches and future trends will be discussed in order to facilitate and foster their development and exploitation.**

Representatives from the Secretary of State for Education, EC Delegation to India and from the Ministry for Communications will open and attend the symposium.

Topics discussed include, but are not limited to:

- Grid Computing
- Wireless Networks for distance education
- Content creation for Distance Learning (Health, Education, Science & Technology, Bio informatics, Agriculture, etc.)
- Security, management and dissemination of content for distance learning
- Distance education infrastructure

Registration as well as the Call for Participation are now open!

The organisers welcome the contributions of organisations willing to make a presentation (focusing on Connectivity, Middleware and Data) during the plenary session or during one of the parallel tracks of 29 January 2009.

Participation is free of charge but subject to previous on-line registration.

Important dates:

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| • November 28, 2008 | Deadline for the submission of abstracts. |
| • December 5, 2008 | Deadline for the notification of acceptance/rejection. |
| • December 16, 2008 | Camera ready copy submission. |
| • January 28 & 29, 2009 | BELIEF-II Symposium, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi, India. |

For any further information, please visit the [event web pages](#) or contact the organisers at the following email address: info@beliefproject.org