

Lien Chan
Premier, Taiwan

Dear Mr. Malamud:

Congratulations on your initiative to organize the Internet 1996 World Exposition — the first global fair for the information age.

The government and businesses in the ROC will fully support the event. We will certainly be pleased to participate and commit our utmost contribution toward this Internet festival.

In Taiwan, ROC, we are actively engaged in developing the infrastructure and applications for the information superhighway. We see your endeavor on the Internet 1996 World Exposition as not only timely but also a necessity in integrating NII initiatives in major countries into GII (Global Information Infrastructure).

All citizens in the world will appreciate this Exposition, and ROC is proud to be a member in this historic landmark event of information technology.

With my best wishes for a successful Internet 1996 World Exposition.

Sincerely yours,

Lien Chan, Premier
The Republic of China

Boris Yeltsin
President, Russia

I welcome the initiative to establish the global Internet 1996 World Exposition.

Computer communications are impressive achievements of the human intellect. They are in a position to become a powerful stimulus for progress in all areas of life and to pave the way for mankind for the next millennium. The economic, social and cultural well-being of nations and peoples depends to a large extent on how computer communications are developed.

The humanitarian direction of the Internet 1996 World Exposition has great significance. I hope that it will help to bring people closer together, facilitate their mutual understanding, and deepen their knowledge of each other and of their environment.

Particular approval is merited due to the orientation of the exposition's organizers toward youth, toward their approach to the unlimited possibilities of computer communications and toward the development of its creative potential. It is the young people that will have to resolve the problems of the 21st century.

I do not doubt that the Internet 1996 World Exposition will generate intensive interest in Russian society. Scholars, specialists, computer business representatives, educators and students will all be in an advantageous position to evaluate new technologies and the possibilities for breakthroughs in the future.

Admiral Teo Chee Hean
Minister of Finance
and Health, Singapore

Dear Mr. Malamud:

We commend your efforts and initiative in organising the Internet 1996 World Exposition. This is the sort of exciting and bold idea we need to galvanise global information infrastructure activities.

The Internet 1996 World Exposition resonates well with Singapore's own IT2000 Plan. This is our vision of an Intelligent Island where virtually every home, school, office and factory will be able to tap into vast reservoirs of electronically stored information and services to improve their business and to enhance their personal, social, recreational, and leisure options.

The Internet 1996 World Exposition will provide the focus and impetus to the diverse programmes promoting the use of our information infrastructure.

You can certainly count on Singapore's support. The Singapore National Computer Board will organise our private and public sector organisations to support and contribute to the event.

With best wishes for a successful Internet 1996 World Exposition.

RAdm (NS) Teo Chee Hean

S. Patijn
Mayor of Amsterdam

Geachte heer Blokzijl,

Met grote interesse heb ik kennis genomen van het voornemen in 1996 de Internet Wereldtentoonstelling te organiseren.

Werden de eerste wereldtentoonstellingen in de wereld vooral gebruikt om de modernste technologieën aan de wereld te tonen, nu bestaat de mogelijkheid om met behulp van de modernste technologie de wereld te tonen zoals het nu is.

De digitale snelwegen zullen in 1996 naar digitale steden en landen leiden en zullen daarbij een functie hebben als moderne schakel, als elektronische brug tussen culturen.

Inzicht in en contacten met andere culturen dragen bij tot verbreding van kennis, maar is vooral een verrijking van onze afzonderlijke culturen. Het multiculturele karakter van onze wereld wordt meer dan ooit inzichtelijk gemaakt.

Ik ben verheugd dat Amsterdam actief bij de Internetontwikkelingen en de Internet Wereldtentoonstelling 1996 is betrokken.

Ik wens u en allen die hier aan meewerken veel succes met de organisatie van deze eerste elektronische wereldtentoonstelling. Ik spreek de verwachting en de hoop uit dat hierna nog vele wereldtentoonstellingen zullen volgen.

S. Patijn
Burgemeester van Amsterdam.