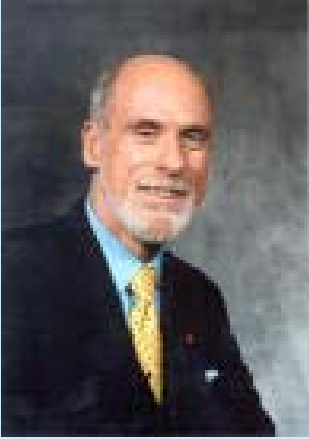


Current Internet Status and its Future



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Reception: 4:00pm– 4:50pm

Location: LSU, Life (Biological) Sciences Building Annex Auditorium

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Abstract:

In this talk, we will summarize the present state of the Internet and make some projections for its future expansion. We will explore some of the implications of continued growth and consider the effects of "Internet-enabling" a wide variety of appliances and devices. Security and reliability are now paramount concerns for Internet users and we will discuss these challenges. As the Internet becomes an increasingly essential element in the communications infrastructure, policy issues regarding its use and abuse will continue to surface and we will consider several of these including taxation, intellectual property protection, censorship, fraud, and so on. Finally we will take a look at the more distant future of the Internet. Specifically, the Interplanetary expansion of the Internet in the decades to come.

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