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## **The World Congress on Information Technology 2006 Secures Technology Visionary Fred Mapp for CEO Post**

### ***Former CIO of AMD takes reigns of WCIT 2006 organization***

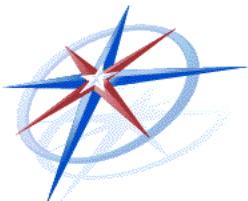
AUSTIN, TX. May 5, 2004 – The World Congress on Information Technology (WCIT 2006) today announced the appointment of Frederick D. Mapp as Chief Executive Officer. Mapp, a 38-year veteran in information technology, is recognized as a technology visionary for his experience in re-engineering IT processes for Fortune 500 companies on a global scale. Mapp most recently was vice president and CIO for Advanced Micro Devices (AMD).

“Tapping Fred for this post is an amazing leap for WCIT 2006. We will immediately benefit from his operational expertise and international stature as a leader in technology,” said Nick Fox, chairman of WCIT 2006.

WCIT conducted a nation-wide executive search before selecting Mapp for the position. “The single-most attractive quality Fred possesses is his tremendous leadership skills,” said Ed Jones, WCIT Executive Committee member and leader of the executive search team. “Fred is an internationally recognized speaker, and a visionary leader who attracts people to a common goal.”

“I’m honored to work with WCIT, an outstanding organization that reinforces technology as a means, not an end, to enhance people’s lives,” Fred Mapp said. “I intend to focus on the transformation of IT, specifically linking WCIT strategies to global IT initiatives.”

Mapp has held key executive positions at AMD, Honeywell, American Express, IBM, InfoSpan and ran his own consulting business, Quality Service Solutions. He was awarded special recognition as a “National IT Industry Influential” by the Austin Chapter of the Association of IT Professionals (AITP) in November 2003.



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The World Congress, which will be held in Texas May 1-5, 2006, will attract an estimated 2,000 global leaders from business, government and education to discuss IT policy, direct the future of technology, and drive social and economic development. This international forum is viewed as a significant opportunity to showcase the regions' technology, innovation and economic climate. Past World Congresses have been a catalyst for significant business expansions and international trade.

**About WCIT 2006, Inc.**

The World Congress on Information Technology 2006 (WCIT 2006) convenes global leaders of business, government and education to discuss IT policy, direct the future of technology, and drive social and economic development. The World Congress is held every two years in a different region of the world and is the signature forum of the World Information Technology and Services Alliance (WITSA), a consortium of 53 information technology (IT) industry associations from economies around the world, which represents over 90% of the world's IT market. World Congress forums are held in international cities around the world such as Taipei, Taiwan (2000), Adelaide, Australia (2002) and Athens, Greece (2004).

The mission of WCIT 2006, Inc. is to be a catalyst for social and economic development through the exchange of policies, ideas, and technology. WCIT 2006, Inc., a non-profit 501 6(C) organization, is headquartered in Austin, Texas.

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