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## **World Wide Web experts come to UTAS**

The creators of the new generation of the World Wide Web will lead a free public presentation at the University of Tasmania tomorrow (**TUES19**).

World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) international experts, Ivan Herman and Mike Smith, will visit UTAS as part of a tour across eastern Australia to share the latest developments in web standards.

UTAS event organizer, Dr Byeong-Ho Kang, from the School of Computing, said the presentation was a unique opportunity for the public to engage with key decision makers in the future of the Web.

“W3C is the non-commercial organisation of the Web and is the centre of research and development,” Dr Kang said.

“This event is important for understanding the new Semantic Web direction which is about improving the management, information, publishing and sharing of information.”

The guest speakers will address the new Semantic Web data direction and the next chapter of HTML, the language all Web content is written.

W3C is an international consortium of member organisations, staff and public who develop protocols and guidelines for the long-term growth of the Web. It also designs technologies to ensure the Web meets the increasing diversity of users, hardware and software.

“Tasmania is a remote area of the world and through these new technologies, we can become a greater part of the global community,” Dr Kang said.

The tour is hosted in partnership with the CSIRO, W3C Australia and National ICT Australia and will be held at the University’s Stanley Burbury Theatre at 5pm.

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