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National ICT Australia invites you to a talk presented as part of the Victoria Research Laboratory Seminar Series. Friday November 4, 2005

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When:
4-5pm, Friday November 4, 2005

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By Monday, November 1, 2005

Where:
Theatre 2 – Alan Gilbert Bldg
161 Barry Street (cnr Grattan St)
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A Vision for Australia's ICT Future

ABSTRACT: Australia's future ICT industry must be global. There's no point tinkering around the edges, we are a player or we're not. Many people wring their hands and say Australia has missed the boat – the world is already carved up by the US, India and China. We are suffering from a new form of cultural cringe – if only we had got started earlier, if only we had a Nokia, if only we weren't so far away... My vision for Australia's ICT industry is that we step up and solve some serious problems that will make a difference. We don't know exactly what the future will look like but we do know that ICT will be increasingly embedded in devices and environments. There is the opportunity, and significant industry and market demand, to build on our existing expertise and develop capability in embedded systems.

BIOGRAPHY: Dr David Skellern is one of Australia's most successful ICT entrepreneurs, with a strong background in research, education and industry. In 1997 he co-founded the Radiata group of companies in Australia and the USA, established to commercialise the results of the WLAN research project that he led at Macquarie University in collaboration with CSIRO. Radiata demonstrated the world's first chip-set implementation of the 54 Mbit/s IEEE 802.11a High-Speed WLAN standard. Radiata was acquired by Cisco Systems, Inc. in 2001 and Dr Skellern moved to the United States as Technology Director of Cisco's Wireless Networking Business Unit.

