

Video Conference
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Next Generation Internet and its Significance for the Northcoast

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The Internet has become a media platform capable of producing radical transformations in production, collaboration, and distribution, raising many new questions and new ideas. The opportunity to advance these ideas and answer these questions is before us as we build the Next Generation Internet. To deliver the types of collaborative media applications we imagine possible, there must be have a massive upgrade in the existing infrastructure. As in the first generation, universities are leading in advanced research and education networks. Major companies are designing and building new networks and services to increase the capacity available to consumers. Now is the time to bring the diverse set of stake holders together to create a vision that will lead to a new phase of development in areas ranging from software engineering to public policy. All of us have the opportunity to promote a vision and practice that works for everyone. Communication technology will continue to converge in ways that have major implications in education, government, and economic development. If the U.S. is going to thrive in the new knowledge economy, we must become an innovator in how that knowledge is created, disseminated, and accessed.

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The HSU Office for Economic & Community Development is pleased to bring Joaquin Alvarado to the North Coast. Alvarado is recognized as one of the central figures in the Next Generation of the Internet. He is founding director of San Francisco State University's Institute for Next Generation Internet.