



## Postindustrial 7 : The Internet 2 mechanisms

**This network of networks integrates artisans and information systems and becomes the public place for creating and sustaining a more mobile, global and interconnected world.**

- *The actual development of Internet 2 is not by chance. It is the fruit of three important forces - **globalisation, personalisation and digital technologies** which (at the level of economics, technology and sociology) force both the actors in the system and the system itself to integrate on a large scale (publics and consortia).*
- *Its future development rests on the human force of the participation of the users in creating and shaping the content and services.*
- *Because it is having impact on all human activities, Internet 2 will become both an economic and sociological platform as well as a technological platform (See « The tools »).*
- *If the newspapers became the « fourth estate » during the 1<sup>st</sup> industrial era and the television during the 2<sup>nd</sup> industrial era, the Internet 2 will become the place or space wherein the exchanges of information will create the understandings and treaties and where strategies will be developed and unfold. The Internet 2 is where power will be created and take shape.*