

## ***Biometric Consortium 2003 Conference***

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Fernando Podio has been involved in different aspects of information technology development, measurements, and standards for over twenty-five years. He is currently a member of the Convergent Information Systems Division of the Information Technology Laboratory National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). For the last four years he has been involved with biometrics technologies research, measurements and standardization. Mr. Podio co-chairs the Biometric Consortium (BC) and NIST/BC Biometric Interoperability, Performance, and Assurance Working Group. Both organizations hold international membership. In addition, he chairs the International Committee for Information Technology Standards (INCTS) M1 Biometrics, and he has been appointed acting Chairman of the recently established ISO/IEC Joint Technical Committee 1 (JTC 1) Subcommittee 37 (SC37) - Biometrics. In addition, Fernando serves on the BioAPI Consortium Steering Committee and chairs BioAPI s Consortium External Liaisons Working Group. Mr. Podio co-chairs the Common Biometric Exchange File Format Technical Development Team. The CBEFF Team has developed the CBEFF technical specification (NISTIR 6529) in cooperation with industry and end-users and is currently finalizing the augmented version of CBEFF. Mr. Podio's related awards include NIST's William P. Slichter Award for Outstanding achievement in building or strengthening ties between NIST and industry and the Association for Information and Image Management (AIIM)'s Laureate of Information Technologies in Electronic Document Image Management. He has recently received recognition from the Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer for his involvement in the development of interoperability and data interchange specifications for biometric technologies.