

## **BIOGRAPHY**

**Karsten Gareis** is project manager at Empirica, Bonn. His main fields of interest are the way Information Society Technologies impact on employment patterns, on the locational behaviour of firms, and on social disparities. Since 1990 when he joined empirica, Karsten has carried out or overseen extensive empirical research focusing on Information Society phenomena such as multi-locational work, eLearning, eBusiness and co-operation using ICT networks. He was responsible for a number of large-scale multi-national surveys in European research projects including ECaTT, SIBIS and BISER.

Other recent activities in this field have included the provision of expertise to Eurostat, DG Enterprise's eSkills Forum and CEDEFOP on topics related to eSkills and eLearning. Currently he is responsible for the sub-project on eLearning and lifelong learning which is being carried out in context of the eUSER Special Support Action (an FP6 project). This work includes conceptual research, formulation of appropriate indicators for the eUSER population survey, subsequent analysis of the data and development of policy recommendations.