

***Fernando Podio, Co-Chair Biometric Consortium***

Fernando Podio has been involved in information technology development, measurements, and standards development efforts for many years. He is a member of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Information Technology Laboratory. He is currently the Program Manager for NIST's Biometrics and Smart Cards Program. This program is conducting research into the interoperability and performance of biometric subsystems, devices and applications, and the integration of biometrics and smart cards. Mr. Podio serves on the BioAPI Consortium Steering Committee and chairs the BioAPI Consortium's External Liaisons Working Group.