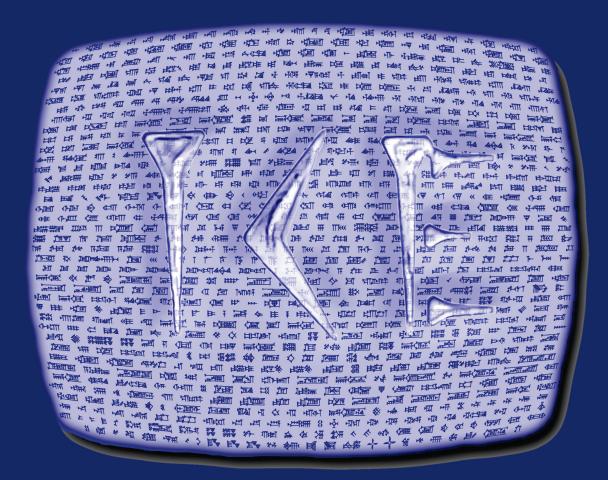
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The second conference of the Initiative for Cuneiform Encoding, ICE2, convenes cuneiform scholars, Unicode experts, software engineers, linguists, and font architects from three countries to discuss methodological issues related to encoding Sumero-Akkadian cuneiform. The goal is to insure that cuneiform is expertly encoded in Unicode, thereby allowing modern software tools to work with the world's oldest writing system. ICE is part of the Digital Hammurabi Project, which received a 3-year, \$1.65 million grant in 2002 from the U.S. National Science Foundation to support basic research into 3D scanning and rendering of cuneiform tablets and the computer encoding of Sumero-Akkadian cuneiform text. ICE2 will be held 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Thursday & Friday & 9:00 AM - noon, Saturday, June 5-7, 2003 in the Shriver Hall board room, on the Homewood campus of The Johns Hopkins University.

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