



**UNA ★ USA**

Southern California  
Division

**UNA-SoCal Division Annual Meeting  
Saturday, January 20, 2024  
12:30pm-2:30pm PST**



**Dr. Ernest Thiessen**

**Founder of the “Smartsettle: The World’s First Multiparty  
eNegotiation System to End Wars”**

Dr Thiessen is President of iCan Systems Inc., the developer of the Smartsettle eNegotiation system. Dr Thiessen has led iCan’s research and development efforts since 1993 to implement the ICANS patent, creating the world’s first secure multiparty collaborative negotiation support system on the Internet.

Dr Thiessen also directs the International eNegotiation Exhibition and was a lecturer in 2010 for UNESCO-IHE’s Negotiation and Mediation for Water Conflict Management course. Dr Thiessen has been a guest speaker at many of the Annual International Forums on Online Dispute Resolution since they began in 2002 and is on the editorial board of the first international journal dedicated to ODR – The International Journal of Online Dispute Resolution.

Prior to founding iCan Systems Inc., Dr Thiessen worked for 17 years as a consulting engineer and researcher in Canada and in Nepal.

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**Join via ZOOM Meeting ID: 378 519 7792**

**Program:** All Southern California Division Chapters and members are invited to attend. This event is free and open to the public.