

Abstract

The present invention discloses a present-following event information generating and outputting system that can output present-following event information securely even if a program is to be broadcast on a channel that is not described on a schedule. The system includes a program schedule editing part 201 for editing program information and a program schedule, a program guide information managing part 202 for managing the program information and the program schedule edited, a present-following event information generating part 203 for generating single event information and a present-following event information transmission schedule from the program information and the program schedule, and a present-following event information outputting part 206 for generating present-following event information from the single event information and the present-following event information transmission schedule to output the same in response to input of the program start notification. The system features that it comprises an immediate update-capable single event information generating part 204 for generating, in advance, from the above-mentioned program information, single event information corresponding to all channels that can be handled by the system. Such a configuration makes it possible for the system to quickly output program guide information even if the program is to be broadcast on an unscheduled channel.