# Call for Papers

Submission Deadline: **October 15, 2009**

# Collaboration and Social Networking

## Track of the

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**TRACK COVERAGE**
Collaboration is a recursive process where two or more people or organizations work together in an intersection of common goals by sharing knowledge, learning and building consensus. A social network is a social structure referring to enduring relationships or bonds between individuals or groups of individuals. This kind of activities and groups are recognized as an important source of knowledge and a competitive advantage for organizations.

Sometimes, the collaboration and the development of social networks are mediated (enabled or constrained) by technologies. Examples of such technologies are Web-based chat tools, Web-based asynchronous conferencing tools, e-mail, listservs, collaborative writing tools, group decision support systems, etc. The Collaboration and Social Networking Track invites papers on the design and implementation of collaborative technologies, assessment of the impact of collaborative technologies on organizations, and theoretical considerations on links between collaborative technologies and organizational outcomes. This Track also invites papers regarding Social Networking as Business and organisational networks, Knowledge, innovation and communication networks, Information diffusion and innovation through social networks, Online communities and social networking and Professional practice in network analysis

**RECOMMENDED TOPICS**
The Collaboration and Social Networking Track encourages the submission of quality papers and panel and workshop proposals dealing with (but not limited to) the following topics:
• Comprehensive reviews of previous studies on collaborative and social networking technologies in organizations.
• Analyses of different research methods and their impact on the study of collaborative technologies in organizations.
• Design, implementation, and assessment of e-business solutions.
• Collaborative and social networking technologies impact on knowledge management and organizational learning.
• Collaborative and social networking technologies use in distance learning contexts.
• Collaborative and social networking technologies support for quality certification programs.
• Collaborative and social networking technologies support for distributed process reengineering and process improvement.
• Design and evaluation of intelligent and collaborative technologies in organizational settings
• Design and evaluation of asynchronous learning networks (ALNs) in organizational settings.
• Organizational and national culture as moderating factors in the adoption and use of collaborative technologies in organizations.
• Collaborative technologies support for the creation of virtual teams and virtual organizations.
• E-collaboration technologies to support innovation and creativity.

**For complete conference information, visit the Conf-IRM Web Site at:**

www.conf-irm.org

**Submission Types and Guidelines**
*Full Length Submissions*
Submissions of no more than 5000 words, including references, appendices and title page, with a maximum of 5 figures/tables. Submissions have to be original, and previously unpublished, conceptual or empirical research manuscript for review. All accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings in their entirety upon payment of registration fees. Papers accepted and presented at the conference will also be placed in the AIS e-Library. Papers not presented at the conference, for any reason, will not be included in the AIS e-Library. Highly rated papers by the reviewers will be considered for publications in selected Journals. Moreover, the paper that best represents, in terms of quality and suitability to the theme, the ideals of the conference will be awarded the "Best Paper" Award during the conference.

*Research-in-Progress Submissions*
Submissions of no more than 2000 words with a maximum of 3 figures/tables. All research-in-progress submissions will be published in the proceedings as short papers.

*Teaching Cases*
We welcome submissions of teaching cases. The cases should be based on real situations and targeted at specific learning objectives. Cases should be no more than 5000 words and must be accompanied by instructor teaching notes (not included in the 5000 words). The teaching notes will not be published.

*Panel and Tutorial Submissions*
Submissions of not more than 1000 words. Proposals should include the objectives, issues to be covered and full details of all presenters. Method of presentation is at the submitter's discretion; however, the submitter has the responsibility for providing his/her own panel members. All accepted proposals will appear in the conference proceedings (*Please note that all panelists and tutorial presenters must register for the conference*).

*Important Announcements*
- The number of submissions by an author (including joint authorship) is strictly limited to a maximum of two submissions.
- Authors of accepted papers (at least one person per submission) and all panel members MUST register and attend the conference.

All conference submissions will be double-blind and peer reviewed. The review process will be handled by the track chairs and co-chairs. Submissions of all types must be received by October 15, 2009.

**Important Dates**
Submission date: **October 15, 2009**
Notification of Acceptance/Rejection: **January 8, 2010**
Final Submission and Early Registration due date: **February 25, 2010**

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