“Information Systems Perspectives and Challenges in the Context of Globalization”

IFIP Joint WG 8.2+9.4 Conference
15-17 June 2003
Venue: Athens University of Economics and Business, Athens, Greece
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Final Call for Papers

The conference focuses on organizational information systems from a global perspective. “Globalization” can be seen as a contradictory process, which may imply increased interconnectedness of local actors but also “globalism” in the form of increased transnational uniformity. Following Geoff Walsham, the Joint 8.2+9.4 conference urges Information Systems researchers around the globe “to study particular individuals, groups, organizations, or societies in detail, and in context.” Contextually aware studies of organizational information systems from all parts of the world form the basis for comparisons and inferences from a global viewpoint in this conference.

The conference will be preceded by the first IS PhD Supervisors’ Workshop on Saturday, 14 June 2003 (http://www.aueb.gr/ifip-isglob03/htmldocs/workshop.html). The workshop is organised by Prof. David Avison, avison@essec.fr

SUBMISSIONS

Full research papers (5,000 words), work-in-progress papers (2,500 words), panel, workshop and tutorial proposals can be submitted. Paper submissions should be made as a MS Word or .rtf document formatted according to the guidelines provided in http://www.aueb.gr/ifip-isglob03/htmldocs/papers_submition.htm. All submissions should be made by electronic mail to one of the Program Co-Chairs:

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All manuscripts will be reviewed by a panel of referees, and those accepted will be presented in the conference. Full papers will be included in the proceedings volume published by Kluwer Academic Publishers.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Deadline for receipt of all submissions: October 30, 2002
- Notification of acceptance of papers: January 20, 2003
- Camera Ready manuscript due from authors: February 28, 2003

EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE SUB-THEMES AND TOPICS (non-inclusive list)

- “Think globally, act locally”: Local software industry in specific countries, in the context of globalization
- IS development and use in specific organizations in specific countries, in the context of globalization
- IS in globally operating enterprises
- Global IT products (e.g. SAP) and their implementation locally: Challenges
- Globalizing supply chains of software development and deployment
- IS brain drain from developing countries and emerging economies
- Uniformity or diversity of IS development methodologies in the era of globalization
- Uniformity or diversity of IS research frameworks and methodologies in the era of globalization: IS theory vs. socio-economic, cultural and political diversity
- IS driven perspectives on work and organizational design
- Information infrastructures at the global, inter- and intra-organizational levels.
- Societal and cultural issues of IS: Theoretical frameworks, research methodologies, empirical studies, cross-societal and cross-cultural comparisons
- The IS ‘digital divide’ within a society and between countries: Empirical research, theory and possible strategies for overcoming it

CONFERENCE ACCOMODATION

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