

## **CFP: iConference 2017 | Effect • Expand • Evolve: Global Collaboration Across the Information Community**

Call for Participation: iConference 2017

Wuhan, China

March 22-25, 2017

Conference website: <http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/>

iConference 2017 takes place March 22-25, 2017, in Wuhan, China. This is our twelfth annual gathering of scholars, researchers and professionals who share an interest in the critical information issues of contemporary information society. The theme of this first-ever Asia-based iConference is “Effect • Expand • Evolve: Global Collaboration Across the Information Community.”

iConference 2017 is jointly hosted by the Wuhan University School of Information Management and Korea’s Sungkyunkwan University Library & Information Science and Data Science Department. The 3,500-year-old city of Wuhan represents a combination of ancient culture and modern living, and conference participants are assured a memorable and rewarding experience.

As always, the iConference will include peer-reviewed papers, posters, workshops and sessions for interaction and engagement, interspersed with multiple opportunities for networking. Early career and next generation researchers can engage in the Doctoral Student Colloquium and Early Career Colloquium.

New this year are special conference programs focused on iSchool Best Practices, and also on iSchools and Industry Partnership. In addition, there will be a special track for papers originating in China.

The iConference brings together scholars and researchers addressing critical information issues in contemporary society. The iConference pushes the boundaries of information studies, explores core concepts and ideas, and creates new technological and conceptual configurations—all shaping interdisciplinary discourses. Affiliation with a member iSchool is not required—all information scholars, researchers, and practitioners are encouraged to make submissions. Visit our website for more information, including sample topics and links to past proceedings: <http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/>

The iConference is presented by the iSchools organization ([www.ischools.org](http://www.ischools.org)), a worldwide association of information schools dedicated to advancing the information field, and preparing students to meet the information challenges of the 21st Century. The event is sponsored by Microsoft Research.

**IMPORTANT LINKS**

- \* Conference: <http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/>
- \* Past Proceedings: <http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/about-the-iconeference/>
- \* Facebook: IConference: <https://www.facebook.com/IConference>
- \* Twitter: [@iConf](#) | [#iconf17](#)

#### SUBMISSION INFORMATION

All submissions must be in English using our official template. All work should be original and not previously published. Complete guidelines can be found on the Author Instructions page: <http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/author-instructions/>

**All submissions are due by September 16, 2016.**

#### \* PAPERS

We invite papers falling into two categories: completed research or early work/preliminary results. Each paper will be refereed in a double-blind process. The author(s) of the completed research paper judged the best of the iConference will receive the Lee Dirks Award for Best Paper and \$5,000.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/papers/>

Submission deadline: September 16, 2016

Papers Chairs: Jian Qin, Syracuse University; Mika Grundstrom, University of Tampere; Jevin West, University of Washington

#### \* POSTERS

We welcome submission of posters presenting new work, preliminary results and designs, or educational projects. Posters will undergo a double-blind review, and accepted abstracts will be published in the proceedings.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/posters/>

Submission deadline: September 16, 2016

Posters Chairs: Ann-Sofie Axelsson, University of Boras; Min Song, Yonsei University; Esfandiar Haghverdi, Indiana University

#### \* WORKSHOPS

Workshops can be half- or full-day, and are intended to foster interactive discussions focusing on the particular topic within the purview of the iSchools, namely, the relationships among information, people and technology. Workshops provide a great opportunity for attendees who share common interests and want to have intensive discussions.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/workshops/>

Submission deadline: September 16, 2016

Workshops Chairs: Noa Aharony, Bar-Ilan University; Daqing He, University of Pittsburgh; Fred Ye, Nanjing University

#### \* SESSIONS FOR INTERACTION AND ENGAGEMENT (SIE)

These sessions provide an excellent opportunity to present ideas, facilitate discussions, and foster knowledge-sharing in unconventional ways. Formats can include panels, fishbowls, performances, storytelling, roundtable discussions, wildcard sessions, demos/exhibitions, and more. All should be highly participatory, informal, engaging, and pluralistic.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/sessions-for-interaction-and-engagement/>

Submission deadline: September 16, 2016

SIE Chairs: Ryan Shaw, University of North Carolina; Andrew Cox, University of Sheffield; Jin Ha Lee, University of Washington

**\* DOCTORAL COLLOQUIUM**

The Doctoral Colloquium provides doctoral students the opportunity to present their work to senior faculty and engage with one another in a setting that is relatively informal but that allows for the fullest of intellectual exchanges. Students receive feedback on their dissertation, career paths, and other areas from participating faculty and student peers.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/doctoral-colloquium/>

Application deadline: September 16, 2016

Doctoral Colloquium Chairs: Kevin Crowston, Syracuse University; Bella Jing Zhang, Sun Yat-sen University; Pia Borlund, University of Copenhagen; Jiangping Chen, University of North Texas

**\* DOCTORAL DISSERTATION AWARD**

Recognizing the outstanding dissertation of the preceding year, this competition is open to all member iSchools. Each school may submit one dissertation for consideration. The winner will receive a cash prize of \$2,500, the runner up \$1,000; both will be honored at the iConference.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/dissertation-award/>

Submission deadline: September 16, 2016

Dissertation Award Chairs: Michael Seadle, Humboldt University of Berlin; Soo Young Rieh, University of Michigan; Masooda Bashir, University of Illinois

**\* EARLY CAREER COLLOQUIUM**

This half-day event is intended for assistant professors, post-docs, or others in pre-tenure positions and builds on the tradition of highly successful events at past iConferences. Participants will sign up at registration.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/early-career-colloquium/>

Early Career Colloquium Chairs: Marcia Zeng, Kent State University; Kathy Burnett, Florida State University; Antonio Soares, University of Porto

THE FOLLOWING ARE NEW THIS YEAR

\* SPECIAL TRACK: CHINESE PAPERS

This special track for 2017 aims to provide excellent opportunities for scientists, scholars and participants throughout China to present their latest research results and to exchange views or experience not only in Library and Information Science, but also in other related areas. The theme is "Data Management and Services."

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/chinese-papers/>

Submission Deadline: September 16, 2016

Chinese Papers Chairs: Ruhua Huang, Wuhan University; Wei Lu, Wuhan University

\* SPECIAL PROGRAM: iSCHOOL BEST PRACTICES

This special session will focus on issues pertaining to curriculum/teaching/student experience, and perhaps also research and administrative management. Details will be posted to our website as they become available.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/ischool-best-practices/>

iSchool Best Practices Chairs: Gary Marchionini, University of North Carolina; Shigeo Sugimoto, University of Tsukuba; Vivien Petras, Humboldt University of Berlin

\* SPECIAL PROGRAM: iSCHOOLS AND INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIP

This special session will explore the establishment of mutually beneficial relationships between information schools and industry, and the opportunities these programs afford.

<http://ischools.org/the-iconeference/program/ischools-and-industry-partnership/>

iSchools and Industry Partnership Chairs: Sean McGann, University of Washington; Gobinda Chowdhury, Northumbria University; Joon Lee, Seoul National University

ADDITIONAL ORGANIZERS

iConference 2017 Chairs: Qing Fang, Wuhan University; Sam Oh, Sungkyunkwan University

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