

DIGIT 2007 Call for Participation/Papers

A pre-ICIS workshop for people interested in information technology adoption and diffusion will be held on Sunday, December 9, 2007 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Our theme this year is Crossing Boundaries in IT Diffusion Research. The workshop will include paper roundtables, panel discussions and tutorials.

Faculty members and doctoral students are encouraged to attend and submit papers for roundtable discussion. Doctoral students submitting papers to the conference will be eligible for a workshop scholarship that covers the DIGIT registration fee**. The deadline for submission of papers is Friday, September 14, 2007. Notification of acceptance or rejection will be made in early November. See the CFP below for more details.

Each of the past three years, we have included paper roundtables; last year, we focused on roundtables instead of including individual paper presentations. At roundtables, 8-10 researchers read a paper before the workshop and participate in a detailed discussion with the authors on the paper's contribution, potential, and future. Given the positive feedback received, we have kept this format for DIGIT 2007. Authors found the roundtables valuable in developing their work further, and all participants were able to benefit from the issues and perspectives that emerged during the discussions.

We will also have interesting panel/tutorial discussions. Currently planned topics include:

- Cross-Cultural Issues in IT Adoption and Diffusion Research
- Benefits and Challenges of Conducting Multilevel IT Diffusion Studies
- Role of Networks and Partnerships in Getting IT Diffusion Research Published

It is not necessary to submit a paper in order to attend DIGIT, but attendees must be willing to participate in the roundtables. Lunch and refreshments will be provided to attendees.

In order to foster the workshop atmosphere that has developed in previous meetings, registration will again be limited to about 40 people. You can register for DIGIT during the regular ICIS registration process.

For information on SIGADIT and past DIGIT workshops, please go to <http://www.sigadit.org> or contact the 2007 workshop co-chairs:

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** For each accepted paper, up to 3 doctoral student authors will receive a full scholarship to cover their DIGIT 2007 workshop fee. Depending upon remaining funds, full or partial scholarships will be offered to all other doctoral students who submit papers for workshop consideration. There may also be funds available to assist doctoral students who did not submit a paper, but are interested in attending the DIGIT workshop. Please contact Pam Carter (pcarter@cob.fsu.edu) for additional information.

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Crossing Boundaries in IT Diffusion Research

The adoption and diffusion of information technologies have enabled the exchange of communications, products/services, data, and ideas across many types of boundaries. Time, organizational level, cultural, professional and geographical boundaries are just some examples. This year, our DIGIT workshop will focus on crossing boundaries in IT diffusion research.

The scope of our theme includes IT diffusion research phenomena that incorporate crossing boundaries, as well as crossing boundaries with our research methodologies. While papers adhering to the theme are

preferred, research in other IT adoption and diffusion research domains will be considered. Potential topic areas include (but are not exclusive of):

- the role of time in IT diffusion research
- how units at multiple levels of analysis influence IT diffusion processes
- IT adoption in cross-cultural contexts
- the role of boundary objects in bridging professional (e.g., business and IT) differences during IT implementations
- conducting multilevel analysis in IT diffusion research
- how geographical dispersion influences IT infrastructure adoption decisions
- the adoption and use of IT to enable virtual/distributed team work

In the interest of discussing the most current research in this area, working papers are encouraged as well as more complete papers. Papers dealing with any stage of the IT diffusion process (e.g., initiation, adoption, adaptation, use, infusion) at the individual, work group, organization, or societal level(s) are invited. Submitted research can be conceptual, analytical, design-oriented, or empirical in nature. All submissions will be blind reviewed. Papers should not have been published previously in a proceedings or journal, nor be under review elsewhere, but may be submitted elsewhere after the DIGIT meeting. At least one author must register and attend the workshop to present the paper if the work is accepted.

Instructions for Contributors

All papers are to be double-spaced and submitted in Microsoft Word format. Working papers or research in process are limited to ten double-spaced pages. Research papers are limited to twenty pages. Both types of submissions should include an abstract. Page counts exclude references.

The title page (exclusive of the page counts) should include the paper title and the authors' names, affiliations, and e-mail addresses. The main body of the paper should have a title, but no author identification.

This year, all paper submissions should be sent electronically as a Word attachment to jthatch@clermson.edu. Questions regarding paper submissions should be directed to:

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