Call for Papers

Call for Papers for the *JAIS*-sponsored Theory Development Workshop Associated with ICIS 2015 in Fort Worth, TX, USA.

Dear Colleague:

Since December 2002, the senior editors of the *Journal of the Association for Information Systems* (*JAIS*) have organized a number of successful Theory Development Workshops. In 2015, they will hold the 14th *JAIS* Theory Development Workshop immediately before ICIS 2015. This workshop is scheduled to occur from 1-5:30pm on Sunday, December 13, 2015. The exact location of the workshop will be announced at a later date.

Workshop information

The workshop promotes scholarship that focuses on new theoretical advances in the information systems field. Workshop participants discuss drafts of their theoretical work with *JAIS* senior editors, members of the *JAIS* editorial board, and other workshop participants. The workshop's structure provides opportunity for feedback from other researchers who are also developing theoretical work for future journal submission. Once completed, authors are not obliged to submit their work to *JAIS*, although the journal is a top-quality outlet that welcomes conceptual, theoretical, and empirical papers. In fact, a number of papers accepted for past workshops have been submitted to the journal for publication consideration each year. Typically, two to three papers submitted to the workshop are published or are accepted for publication at *JAIS* in about 18 months after the workshop.

Prior to the workshop, participants whose papers have been accepted will receive one to three papers to read and review. The reviews follow a brief, structured format that allows participants to critique papers of other participants. The reviews offer constructive comments and recommend ways to improve participants' papers.

During the workshop, participants meet in small groups with a *JAIS* senior editor and editorial board members. In these groups, participants receive feedback on their own paper, and provide feedback on others' papers. The *JAIS* senior editor and editorial board members facilitate the discussion so that each participant has equal time to receive comments from the group's members. Please consult the *JAIS* website for the list of senior editors and the editorial board members (http://jais.aisnet.org)

Selection for the *JAIS* Theory Development Workshop is competitive. This workshop only addresses theory building, conceptual foundations, and model development issues. To be considered, a paper must demonstrate significant theory development, with or without data. Papers currently accepted, under review, or under revision at other journals or conferences should not be submitted.

Application details

The application deadline is Monday, September 6, 2015. Papers should be no more than 35 pages in length (max 8000 words excluding references), double spaced, and in 12-point Times New Roman font, with citations using APA 6th ed. style citations.

To submit a paper to the workshop, email an electronic copy of your paper in WORD or PDF format (including three or four key words on the abstract page) to tdw-jais@comm.virginia.edu Include in the body of the email the name, institution, and email address of each author. The review process is double-blind, so any author identifying information should only appear in the body of the submission email (and not in the attached copy of the submitted paper).

We will acknowledge your submission on or before September 12, 2015. If we have not acknowledged your submission by this date, then please contact the *JAIS* office (jais@comm.virginia.edu) after this date about your submission's status. Individuals selected as participants will be notified on or before November 1, 2015.

Important Dates
Submission Deadline: September 6, 2015
Submissions Acknowledged: September 12, 2015
Notification of Accepted Papers: November 1, 2015

If you have any questions about the submission process, please direct them to Tanya Beaulieu (*JAIS* Managing Editor) at jais@comm.virginia.edu   Please direct all other questions related to the *JAIS* workshop to Suprateek Sarker (*JAIS* Editor-in-Chief) at EIC-JAIS@comm.virginia.edu or to Tanya Beaulieu at jais@comm.virginia.edu

Sincerely,

Suprateek Sarker
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(Workshop Coordinators)