Call for Papers - JAIS Theory Development Workshop

Call for Papers for the JAIS-sponsored Theory Development Workshop Associated with ICIS 2016 in Dublin, Ireland.

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 2016, they will hold the 15th JAIS Theory Development Workshop immediately before ICIS 2016. This workshop is scheduled to occur from 1-5:30pm on Sunday, December 11, 2016. 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 board members, 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.

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 where participants receive feedback from a JAIS board member and provide feedback on others’ papers. The JAIS 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://aisel.aisnet.org/jais/).

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 12, 2016. Papers should be no more than 35 pages in length (max 8,000 words excluding abstract, references, tables, and figures), 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 an abstract and three or four keywords) 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 13, 2016. 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 October 26, 2016.

Important Dates
Submission Deadline: September 12, 2016
Submissions Acknowledged: September 13, 2016
Notification of Accepted Papers: October 26, 2016

Please direct any questions about the submission process to any of the workshop coordinators 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

Sincerely,

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