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This year a record number of panel proposals were submitted for consideration. Of the over twenty-five proposals which were reviewed, only nine were finally selected for inclusion at the conference. Each proposal underwent an extensive two stage review. First, two outside reviewers were asked to read all the proposals in detail and evaluate them on both their quality and relevance. These recommendations were then passed to the program committee who reviewed the evaluations and made the final selections. The reviewing process insured that the highest quality and most relevant panels were accepted.

ICIS'88 will also see the inauguration of a special track which was envisioned to provide a forum for unusual sessions. This year we have included sessions on Computer Ethics Awareness and the Future of IS as an Academic Field in this track. The special track is also being used to bring distinguished speakers from the various referent disciplines of IS to ICIS. This year we have scheduled speakers from computer science and cognitive science. The purpose of these presentations will be to help familiarize us with the theoretical and methodological paradigms of our many referent disciplines.