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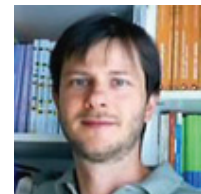
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Mini track - Call for Papers

Mini Track: Formal Modelling for Knowledge Management

Chair: Ettore Bolisani, Università degli Studi di Padova, Italy



This mini track addresses the key question of the formal foundations of KM. The definition of formal models is a crucial question in any discipline, and has often represented a reason of contrast between the "hard" sciences (mostly grounded on mathematical models) and human or social sciences (that often deal with more elusive and ambiguous objects). In the case of KM, which is a multidisciplinary field, this debate appears still at the beginning. The scholars are still more struggling to analyse the practical implications of KM rather than setting its formal foundations. As in other areas of management, formal modelling is often relegated to the technological approaches, while the "soft" issues (i.e. social and relational aspects) are much treated with qualitative models.

Our aim is to provide an opportunity to discuss and share viewpoints, research proposals, findings and other points among scholars and practitioners interested in formal approaches to KM and at the same time present the opportunity to set the agenda for future research in this field.

In that context we would welcome papers that would focus in the following topics:

- key issues and prospects of formal modelling in KM
- applications of formal modelling to KM research and practice
- quantitative and qualitative KM models
- the issue of knowledge representation in KM
- mathematics applied to KM
- economic models applied to KM
- models of inter-organisational KM transfer
- computer simulation in KM research

Selected papers from the conference will be considered for publication in the Electronic Journal on e-Knowledge Management, <http://www.ejkm.com>

Submission details:

Abstract details: The Abstract should be a minimum of 300 and no more than 500 words including up to five keywords and keyphrases to be received by **12 February 2009**. Please read the abstract guidelines section of the website before submitting.

Submission: Online at <http://academic-conferences.org/eckm/eckm2009/eckm09-abstract-submission.htm>
Please ensure that you complete all relevant sections of the form, including the conference track the abstract is intended for, the proposed title for the paper, the full names (first name and surname, not initials) and email addresses of all authors and a postal address and telephone number for at least one contact author. Please indicate clearly if the contact author is not the lead author.

Full paper: Only required when the abstract has been selected and not to be more than 5,000 words including abstract, keywords and references (the Harvard referencing rules need to be followed). Submission date will be no later than 2 April 2009. Papers should be submitted as .doc or .rtf file attachments by email to the Conference Manager, [Elaine Hayne](mailto:Elaine.Hayne@academic-conferences.org) at elaine.hayne@academic-conferences.org

The selection panel of the conference committee will consider all abstracts received by the submission deadline to ensure that the proposed paper is relevant to the Conference. The authors of abstracts that describe a relevant paper will receive a notification of abstract selection. All full papers will be double-blind reviewed by members of the conference committee to ensure an adequate standard, that the proposed subject of their abstract has been followed, that the paper is of a suitable length, the standard of English is adequate and the paper is appropriately referenced. For authors whose first language is not English we request that you have your work proofread preferably by a native English speaker prior to submission (or at least a fluent English speaker) – papers may be rejected due to a poor standard of English. Papers that are accepted will be published in the conference proceedings providing at least one author registers and presents the work at the Conference (see the registration section of the conference website for more information about registration).

Due to the large number of papers expected for this conference, the committee only allows an author to present one paper. Therefore if multiple papers are accepted for presentation different co-authors need to present each paper.

Important dates:

Abstract submission deadline:	12 February 2009
Notification of abstract acceptance:	19 February 2009
Full paper due for review:	02 April 2009
Notification of paper acceptance:	11 June 2009
Earlybird registration closes:	25 June 2009
Final paper due (with any changes):	09 July 2009
Final Author registration date:	30 July 2009

This call for papers and full details about the conference can be found online at:
<http://academic-conferences.org/eckm/eckm2009/eckm09-call-papers.htm>
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