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**7th European Conference
on
Information Warfare and Security
University of Plymouth, UK
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Can Europe ever make a difference to global cybersecurity?

MINI TRACK CALL FOR PAPERS



Mini track on The human/social aspects of psychological operations and their civilian and military impact

Track chair: Dr Andy Jones, Security Research Centre, BT, UK and Edith Cowan University, Australia

The role of Psychological Operations (PsyOps) in Information Operations (IO) and Information Warfare (IW) is well established and is fundamental to achieving the IO objective. While the technical and technological issues related to IO can be described and measured, the effect of PsyOps is more difficult to evaluate. Different cultures have

a range of views on the importance and potential effects that can be achieved by the use of PsyOps and are also affected in different ways by its use.

People at all levels need to understand both the potential benefits and the implications of PsyOps and how the issues may affect them. This mini track within the conference will specifically address the human/social issues of PsyOps and will explore the relationship of these issues with the Information Warfare technologies that are examined in the main conference. The conference welcomes papers addressing research and case studies on any aspect that is related to the human/social issues of information warfare. Examples of indicative themes in this area:

- The media and its effect on perception;
- The management of Psychological Operations;
- The integration of Psychological Operations into conventional military operations;
- The credibility of Psychological Operations techniques;
- Cultural impacts of Psychological Operations;
- Psychological Operations form the viewpoint of other cultures;
- Legal and ethical issues;
- The assessment of impact resulting from Psychological Operations;
- Ontology;
- Legal and ethical issues;
- The language of Psychological Operations.

Submission details

Abstract details: The Abstract should be a minimum of 300 and no more than 500 words including keywords to be received by **10 December 2008 (extended until 7 January 2008)**. Please read the [Abstract Guidelines](#) section of the website before submitting.

Submission: Online via the submission form at <http://academic-conferences.org/eciw/eciw2008/eciw08-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 after acceptance of abstract and not to be more than 5,000 words including abstract, keywords and references. Submission date will be no later than **28 January 2008**. Papers should be submitted as .doc or .rtf file attachments by email to the Conference Manager, Elaine Hayne, at elaine.hayne@academic-conferences.org

Important information

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, which describe a relevant paper, will receive a notification of abstract acceptance. 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. 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. Author registration must be completed by **26 May 2008**.

Important dates

<i>Abstract submission deadline:</i>	10 December 2007 (extended until 7 January 2008)		
<i>Notification of abstract acceptance:</i>	17 December 2007		
<i>Full paper due for review:</i>	28 January 2008	<i>Notification of paper acceptance:</i>	7 April 2008
<i>Final paper due (with any changes):</i>	5 May 2008	<i>Author registration closes:</i>	26 May 2008

For operational reasons we have had to alter the submission dates for this conference. However, as we are aware that a considerable amount of literature was in circulation before we did this we will honour all submissions that arrive by the original dates (21 January for Abstracts and 10 March for papers). We would ask that you strive to meet the new dates as these have been arranged to allow a longer paper review period which we hope will give authors more time to arrange travel and registration after receiving reviewer feedback.

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