23nd ACM SIGSPATIAL International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (ACM SIGSPATIAL 2015)

Call for Workshop Proposals

November 3, 2015
Seattle, Washington, USA

http://sigspatial2015.sigspatial.org/

The ACM SIGSPATIAL International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (ACM SIGSPATIAL) traditionally holds one day co-located workshops on the day immediately preceding the first day of the conference. The workshops have proven to be very vibrant events, providing focused environment for exchanging ideas and experiences. ACM SIGSPATIAL 2015 aims to continue this practice and invites submissions of proposals for workshops. The proposals should be submitted as pdf-format attachment to an email sent to the Workshop Co-Chairs, Goce Trajcevski (goce@eecs.northwestern.edu) and Egemen Tanin (etanin@unimelb.edu.au), by May 3, 2015.

The expected duration of a workshop is one day, and all the accepted workshops will take place on November 3, 2015 at the main conference venue.

The proceedings of the workshops are expected to be published jointly with the conference proceedings and will appear in the ACM Digital Library. Workshops will benefit from the registration process of ACM SIGSPATIAL 2015. All workshops will have a common continental breakfast and common morning and afternoon coffee breaks. The workshops focus on particular aspects of the field and are intended to enhance the conference experience for those attending the ACM SIGSPATIAL Conference. The conference sets the registration fees for the workshops which are the same for each workshop and are set at a minimum level to recover costs of room rental, refreshments, and AV. No complimentary registration is provided to workshop organizers or keynote speakers or any other persons affiliated with the workshops. If workshop organizers wish to have invited speakers, any additional financial support must come from funds that are raised by the workshop organizers.

When composing the actual call for papers, workshop organizers are advised to explicitly mention that one author per accepted workshop contribution (paper, poster, demo) is required to register for the workshop and the conference, as well as attend the workshop to present the accepted work. Otherwise, the accepted submission will not appear in the ACM Digital Library version of the workshop proceedings.

Each workshop proposal must contain information deemed pertinent by the proposers/organizer which, at the minimum, should include the following:

- Workshop title
- Short description of the topic and the format of the workshop

- Explanation of why the proposed workshop is a good match with ACM SIGSPATIAL 2015.
- Names and contact information of the workshop organizer(s)
- Names of the members of the program committee (at least 50% must be already known and confirmed at the time of the proposal)
- Suggested important dates (paper submission deadline, notification deadline, etc.)
- Expected number of participants
- A written confirmation from all organizers that they will register and attend the workshop, upon acceptance
- In case of previous instances of the workshop, the historical numbers of participants
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The decision about acceptance/rejection of workshop proposals will be made by the Workshop Chairs in consultation with the SIGSPATIAL Executive Committee and the General Chairs, taking into account the venue capacity as well as viability.

Evaluation criteria include overall quality and the fit with respect to the expected ACM SIGSPATIAL 2015 program. Note that proposals are especially encouraged on emerging topics that are relevant to spatial information systems and algorithms. Notification regarding acceptance of particular workshop proposals is expected to be given by June 1, 2015.

The organizers of successful workshops will be responsible for their own review process. Publicity will be handled jointly with the workshop organizers being responsible for the creation of a workshop website. The local arrangements chairs may require that all workshops adhere to a specific general timetable to facilitate catering. Workshop organizers must inform the Workshop Chairs of the numbers of submissions and acceptances as soon as these numbers become available. Workshops with fewer than 20 expected registrants may be cancelled or reduced to a half-day format, at the discretion of the conference organizers. All proposers and organizers of accepted workshops must also register for the workshop or the workshop will be cancelled.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Proposal Submission Deadline: May 3, 2015

Send the proposal (PDF, no more than 3 pages) to Workshop Co-Chairs:

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Notification of Acceptance: June 1, 2015