Call for Papers
Special Section on HICSS50ᵗʰ in the Communications of the Association for Information Systems

Celebrating HICSS50: The Past, Present, and Future of HICSS Conference

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Submission Deadline: **May 1st 2017**

The Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS) celebrated its 50th anniversary (HICSS50) in January 2017. To mark the occasion and to pay respect to the significant standing of this conference in the global IS community, the Communications of the Association for Information Systems (CAIS) is organizing a special section on "Celebrating HICSS50: The Past, Present, and Future of HICSS Conference".

The overarching theme of the special section is congruent with CAIS' aims of communicating matters that are of interest and value to the AIS community. The series of presentations and panels at HICSS50 that reflected on the past, present and future of HICSS, will form the basis of this CAIS special section. Broadly, the special section will also include selected revised papers from HICSS50. In addition, in this open call, we also invite the AIS community to submit commentaries, essays, and debates on HICSS, which were not part of HICSS50 conference, but nonetheless capture the essence of the special section theme. This special section will not only serve as a mechanism for facilitating communications regarding the history, evolution, and impact of HICSS, but also help continue the debate regarding its future role in shaping our community's conduct and dissemination of research.

Envisaged Timeline:

- Submission deadline   May 1, 2017
- Round 1 decisions   end of June, 2017
- Revisions due   early August, 2017
- Round 2 decisions   end of September, 2017
- Final papers due   early November, 2017
- Publication   Volume 42, 2018

Topics of interest

Topics of interest for solicited, invited and otherwise submitted papers to the CAIS special section on HICSS50 include but are not limited to the following:

- Tracks' or mini-tracks' research history
- Tracks' and mini-tracks' as communities of practice
- Tracks' impact on scholarship
- Selected most impactful papers from HICSS
- Research on the relevance of HICSS to broader IS scholarship
- Suggestions for IS conferencing based on experiences at HICSS and other (AIS) conferences
- Debates about conferences in IS research in general, the role of HICSS or other topics
- Commentaries, historical essays and other viewpoints on HICSS
- Comparisons of HICSS to other conference, forums, venues or outlets

Submission Instructions:

Requirements for submission to the Communications of the Association for Information Systems are available at http://aisel.aisnet.org/cais/format.html.

Manuscripts submitted to Communications of the Association for Information Systems are subject to one of two types of review: Traditional peer review or editorial review. Peer review is in procedure similar to most academic journals: The Editor-in-Chief assigns an Associate Editor to a paper who solicits at least two peer reviewers and makes a recommendation to the Editor-in-Chief based on a single-blind peer review process. This type of review process is appropriate for most regular research paper submissions as well as tutorials and many other types of manuscripts.

In addition, the Communications of the Association for Information Systems also offers the option of editorial review. Editorial review involves reviews by an Associate Editor and the Editor-in-Chief. The Associate Editor serves as the expert reviewer and makes the recommendation to the Editor-in-Chief. Editorial review is generally faster because decisions are made based on one report only. This type of review process is often appropriate for panel reports, workshop reports, debates, or commentaries.

Authors decide which review process is appropriate for their submission by indicating the review type within ScholarOne at the time of submission. The default mode is set to peer review. If an alternative review mode is preferred, authors must provide explicit justification for their choice in their cover letter.

Submissions for the Special Issue must be made to the CAIS Scholar One site. If you do not have an account already, you will need to create one. Upon submission, please select the Department "HICSS50 Special Section" for the submission.