Call for Papers

# Group Decision and Negotiation 2006

June 25–28, 2006

taking place at the University of Karlsruhe, Germany

## Joint conference of the INFORMS section on Group Decision and Negotiation and the EURO Working Group on Decision Support Systems

GDN 2006 aims to bring together researchers in the area of Group Decision Support, Group Support Systems, Negotiation and Negotiation Support Systems. The conference is open to practitioners and academics from all over the world.

GDN 2006 calls for submissions relating to the following topics:

- **Technological Foundations of GSS/NSS, as**
    - Distributed GSS/NSS
    - DSS/NSS and the Internet
    - AI methods in GSS/NSS
    - Multi-agent systems
    - E-negotiation systems
    - Design approaches for collaborative systems

- **Methodological Foundations of Group Decisions and Negotiations, as**
    - Game theory
    - Social choice theory
    - Bargaining theory
    - Knowledge management
    - Protocols and processes of GDN

- **Behavioral Aspects of Group Decisions and Negotiations**
    - Cross-cultural and international Group Decisions and Negotiations
    - Impact, adoption and evaluation of GSS/NSS
    - Language and creativity in GDN
    - Facilitation support

- **Application of GSS/NSS in**
    - Business
    - Policy
    - Education
    - Environment protection

The conference language is English.

GDN 2006 encourages young researchers to present their work at the conference. There will be a special track for work in progress giving Ph.D. students the opportunity to discuss their research proposals with experienced researchers and fellow students. In addition, the conference awards the best paper exclusively written by doctoral candidates or students.

## Submissions

Contributors are invited to submit papers representing ongoing or completed work and proposals for sessions, panels or multi-session tracks.

Extended abstracts of papers should be no more than three pages (12pt, double-spaced) and must be submitted in electronic form (PDF including the source in MS-Word or TeX) by January 20, 2006. Submission starts December 12, 2005. A registration/submission form will be available on the conference homepage. Authors will be notified of acceptance by March 22, 2006. Final versions of extended abstracts and the full papers are due by May 12, 2006.

Proposals for sessions (or session tracks) should include the title of the session, a description of the overall topic of the session, and a list of speakers suggested for invitation. Session proposals should briefly describe the key issue of the session and list (potential) participants. Outlines for sessions should be about 500 words and must be submitted in electronic form by December 12, 2005 to proposals@gdn2006.org. Leaders of approved sessions are free to organize the review process of submissions on their own and to personally invite participants. Extended abstracts of speakers invited by session chairs will be due by March 31, 2006.

## Publications

Extended abstracts / short versions of papers will be published electronically and in print by Karlsruhe University publishing (Universitätsverlag Karlsruhe) under the "Creative Commons" license. The printed version will have an ISBN and will be distributed via the book trade. In order to become included in the proceedings, papers must strictly conform to the deadlines and the formatting requirements which will be published on the conference web site.

The Universitätsverlag Karlsruhe does not restrict reuse of the published material. Rather it encourages authors to further distribute their work. Authors are free to elaborate their papers, e. g. based on the feedback and the discussions on the conference, and to submit extended versions to scientific journals or publish it elsewhere. However, authors should keep in mind that scientific journals as well as other publishing companies may require the extended versions to cover additional and new material in order to be acceptable for publication. A different title might be appropriate to indicate significant changes of content or focus of the paper.

A CD-Rom with full papers will be distributed among conference participants.

## Deadlines

- Submission of session and panel proposals: **December 12, 2005**.
- Submission of extended abstracts: **January 20, 2006**.
- Submission of extended abstracts by invited speakers: **March 31, 2006**.
- Notification of acceptance: **March 22, 2006**.
- Submission of final version of extended abstracts and full papers
  for inclusion in conference proceedings and on CD-Rom: **May 12, 2006**.
- Conference: **June 25-28, 2006**.

## Website

Please visit http://www.gdn2006.org for further information.