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European Student Chapter

Newsletter
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WELCOME!

In this summer edition of the ESC newsletter we will present you a variety of topics. We inform you about the SIGMET workshop during this year's Annual Meeting that is co-organized by members of the European Chapter (EC) and ESC. You can read about our new interview series and our first interviews with Dirk Lewandowski, chair of the EC and Agnes Mainka, ASIS&T Director at Large. We also report about regional events, like the European Chapter Symposium in Hamburg, Germany and the Open Data Day 2019 in Düsseldorf, Germany. In the category "I was at..." students report on their experiences during this year's conferences. You can also read about the Special Issue for Doctoral Students of the Aslib Journal of Information Management. Last, but not least, read about upcoming conferences that you should not miss, like the BOBCATSSS, the iConference and LIDA 2020 We hope you enjoy reading this newsletter!

Your European Student Chapter

WANT TO PARTICIPATE?

Are you a LIS student from Europe and want to get involved in our chapter activities? Do you want to share any content in our next newsletter? Do you have any ideas for activities or events that could be organized by the ESC? We are always looking for engaged students who want to participate in our chapter. Feel free to contact us and share your ideas with us!

ASIS&T ANNUAL MEETING 2019

Melbourne, AU - Oct. 19 - 23, 2019 - CROWN METROPOL MELBOURNE

This year's annual meeting runs under the slogan "Information...anyone, anywhere, any time, any way". The European Student Chapter is looking forward to meeting you in Melbourne. We also hope to see many of you in one of the workshops and during the main conference. Read more about the SIGMET workshop co- organised by members of the EC and ESC on the following page.

METRICS 2019 @ ASIS&T ANNUAL MEETING

ASIS&T Workshop on Informetrics and Scientometrics Research
Saturday, October 19, 2019, 9:00am – 5:00pm at the Crown Metropol, Melbourne, Australia

The ASIS&T Special Interest Group for Metrics (SIG/MET) invites contributions to the METRICS 2019 workshop, which will be held in Melbourne prior to the ASIS&T Annual Meeting.

The workshop continues the successful SIG/MET workshop series held annually since 2011 by providing an opportunity to present and discuss research in the fields of informetrics, scientometrics, bibliometrics, altmetrics, quantitative science studies, and information retrieval among experienced researchers, young academics, and practitioners. We invite abstracts describing empirical or theoretical work related, but not limited to:

- New indicators, methods and tools
- Scholarly communication
- Social media metrics (altmetrics)
- Bibliometric‑ enhanced information retrieval
- Open access, open science
- Patent analysis
- Research evaluation

SUBMISSIONS
The following four types of submission are accepted:
- **Research presentations**, for completed or in‑progress research.
- **Posters** for work in early stages or best presented visually.
- **Tutorials** for practical information on a tool or method.
- **Panels** for discussions on a specific topic.

Please indicate the type of submission in your paper. All submissions should be in the form of a two‑page extended abstract using APA style. Where appropriate, up to three figures/tables can be provided.

Please submit your abstract as a PDF to: https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=metrics2019

Submissions will be evaluated based on their relevance to the workshop and their methodological soundness (where applicable), and brief feedback will be given in narrative format.

IMPORTANT DATES
Submissions due: August 15, 2019
Notifications: August 30, 2019
Workshop: October 19, 2019

ORGANIZERS
Philippe Mongeon, Aarhus University
Shenmeng Xu, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
Timothy D. Bowman, Wayne State University, Detroit, USA

SPONSORS
This year, the SIG/MET workshop will be free of charge for ASIS&T members who register before October 2nd thanks to the generous support of our sponsors.

INTERVIEW SERIES KICK-OFF

ASIS&T European Student Chapter has started a year-long interview series starring Information Science professionals from all over Europe. Our goal is to show students of Information Science what research questions are asked and answered by EU researchers right now. We're also hoping to paint a portrait of the people we're interviewing – why did they go into the field? What keeps them there? What do they think the future of Information Science looks like?

We've kicked off the series with Dirk Lewandowski from HAW Hamburg and Agnes Mainka from Heinrich Heine University, our ESC board adviser.

Do you know someone you'd like to see interviewed by us? Let us know!

Dirk Lewandowski, HAW Hamburg

Tell us a little about yourself. Who are you? What institution are you affiliated with?

I'm a professor of information research and information retrieval at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences. I'm 45 years old, and I have been with the university since 2007. My research group (www.searchstudies.org) focuses on understanding user behaviour in web search. Our research ranges from questionnaire studies to lab studies using eye-tracking to more theoretical work on the impact search engines as Google have on knowledge acquisition in society.

One thing I'm very interested in is bringing our research into practices, for instance, discussing our results with policymakers and regulators. I feel that society would profit much from better understanding the impact of search. Furthermore, I think it is crucial to teach people on how to use search engines to their benefit. From my point of view, "search engine literacy" should be a core component of information literacy.

Why did you go into Information Science?

I started studying library science in 1994 because then, it was possible to obtain a minor in literary studies, which was my main interest at that time. In the curriculum, there were optional courses on information science, as well, which I found quite fascinating. When I decided to go further with my studies at another university, Professor Rafael Capurro recommended the University of Düsseldorf to me. So, I went to Dü sseldorf and completed my M.A. and PhD there.

What are you currently working on?

We recently started a project funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), where we investigate the effect search engine optimization (SEO) has on the results shown in Google and other search engines. Our team aims to get a better understanding of SEO through interviewing experts, investigating users, and through analyzing large amounts of data from the search engines. As we just started in May, there are no results yet, but I think that we not only have a fascinating topic but that the results will be exciting and useful.

Have your research interests changed over time?

When I started doing research on search engines, my interest was more on the technical side. I wanted to find out how search engines work and how they can be improved. Then, I moved more to the user side, conducting user studies. Now, I try to combine these two areas with a broader view on search engines and society. I think this is the way to go for information science in general: to do research relevant to society, which is founded on a deep understanding of technology and information users.

Tell us about something in Information Science that's fascinating to you: A fun fact, the results of a study, history of the field.

A "fun" fact is that at the moment when information science is very successful and is needed more than ever, some universities – like the Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf – decided to close down their information science departments. It would be funny if it were not so depressing.

What do you think does the future of Information Science looks like? In one word.

Bright.

Is there anything you would like to say or recommend to Information Science students from Europe?

A rather simple recommendation: Spend more time reading, not only information science but research results from other fields, as well. In the modern information environment, researchers from many disciplines are interested in the same or related phenomena. It is wise to get a feeling for how others approach these topics, not least for getting a better understanding of where information science research can contribute to making the world at least a tiny bit better.

Website: searchstudies.org/dirk
Twitter: @Dirk_Lew
Research Gate

Agnes Mainka, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

Dear Agnes, please tell us a little about yourself. Who are you?

I am a passionate researcher who is interested in diverse topics. Generally speaking, I am looking at the development of our society in the 21st century that is driven by ICT and networks. Personally, I am active in ASIS&T and other organizations like the Coding Lab Düsseldorf which is part of the Open Knowledge Foundation.

What are you currently working on?

I am currently working on a paper about knowledge management in participatory decision making as a part of open government.

Have your research interests changed over time?

As student, I was very much interested in information behavior and the investigation of social media channels. Today, I am looking at local online and offline participation. I like to identify how the society can become part of the city and city creation. It is still an investigation of behavior but now the focus is on the behavior of institutions like public libraries or governments that invite people to engage.

You are not only the European Student Chapter's Chapter Advisor (Thank you for that!) but also ASIS&T's Director at Large. What is it like to work for ASIS&T?

The main part of working for ASIS&T as a Chapter Advisor is to network. I try to bring the right people together. I was part of the Student Chapter for many years and like to help young students to get involved with ASIS&T.

As Director at Large I am now involved in the future development of the organization. Decisions of the Board are always democratic but I think it is hard to represent the diversity of our members in the Board, especially now, when ASIS&T is going to be more global. It is a pleasure for me to work with so many engaged people in the Board and with our President Elaine. She is a really tough and passionate person.

What do you think does the future of Information Science looks like?

In Germany the term "Information Science" is not established or commonly known but it increases in popularity. What I see now is that we have not enough institutions that promote Information Science or offer programs. In Germany we need to work on that. We are in need of young educated people that are able to understand the flow of information in the 21st century.

Is there anything you would like to say to Information Science students from Europe?

All students that read this interview are interested in the topic information science beyond their regular studies. Please, use all connections, awards and travel funds to go to conferences and to share your research with other people that are interested in the same topics. People from ASIS&T and the Student Chapter can help you to find funding information. The Information Science field is growing and I love to see engaged students with fresh ideas.

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Research Gate

EUROPEAN CHAPTER SYMPOSIUM
Information Science Trends: Search Engines and Information Retrieval
April 26, 2019 in Hamburg, Germany

The ASIS&T European Chapter held its first Information Science Trends symposium at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany, on April, 26, 2019. The theme was Search Engines and Information Retrieval.

In accordance with the title of the event, more than 50 participants concentrated on the topics of search engines and computer-aided information search in exciting lectures and discussions. The full- day event in English language was thereby open to all professors, researchers, students and specialists from industry. Interested people, not able to attend, could follow the lectures via a live stream.

About the "Information Science Trends" event series

The symposium in Hamburg was the start of a new event series called "Information Science Trends", organized by the ASIS&T European Chapter. Our aim is to offer European researchers, students and experts from industry as well as academia a platform to discuss a specific topic in information science and related fields. We plan to continue the event series with a variety of topics and at different venues.

We would like to provide support for further events of this series. All interested persons are cordially invited to forward their ideas and suggestions to the ASIS&T European Chapter.

Information Science Trends symposium at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany

MORE INFORMATION:

More information about the event and future events can be found here.
Recordings of the talks from the Hamburg event are available.

This report was also published in Inside ASIS&T June 2019

OPEN DATA DAY 2019
A report from Düsseldorf, Germany

In our winter newsletter 2017 (Issue 11) Agnes Mainka and Tobias Siebenlist reported on a workshop on open data where they discussed the definitions of the term and the German or Western understanding of open data and its impact. From an Information Science perspective, open data plays a significant role. "As the value of information continues to increase, all governments around the world are becoming more and more interested in the reaction to the provision of information" (Yoon, 2017, p. 12).

The International Open Data Day is an annual event that promotes awareness and use of open data. This year, the Open Data Day took place in March. Unfortunately, the date collided with the celebration of the carnival festival, which is an important tradition in Düsseldorf. As a result, the Open Data Day in Düsseldorf was postponed to May, 5th.

The event, for which the attendance was free, took place at the public library of the city. Thereby, the message was sent out that the event provides an open space for everyone who is interested in the topic. And it worked! A varied mixture of young and old people from government, research institutes, schools, companies, and civil society attended the event.

Beside general introductions into open data and the various initiatives dealing with the topic, participants had the possibility to experience the diverse areas of application of open data, which often concern their everyday life. For example, a session that created interest in many participants was the workshop by Tobias Siebenlist who showed how to build a sensor for particulate matter with minimal effort. The main component of the sensor originally comes from air conditions in cars, but can be perfectly reused for measuring particulate matter in the air. Well, now the question remains how this connects to open data. And the answer is simple: The sensors can be connected to a local network and thus constantly send data about the location's air quality to a database. The data from all connected sensors is visualized in form of a map and can be accessed via a website.

Session about particulate matter sensors and open data held by Tobias Siebenlist

Excerpt from the website luftdaten.info

Other sessions dealt with
- a presentation of the Open Data Portal of the city of Düsseldorf,
- the project "Daten machen Schule" (Data make school) from the Open Knowledge Foundation,
- the platform wikidata,
- the geoportal of the federal state North-Rhine-Westfalia, Germany,
- Open Government in Germany,
- mein- stadtarchiv.de - a portal for giving access to documents and photos for citizens,
- a workshop on Open Streetmap,
- the project "Freifunk", a non-commercial open Grassroots initiative to support free radio networks,
- 3D printing in the library,
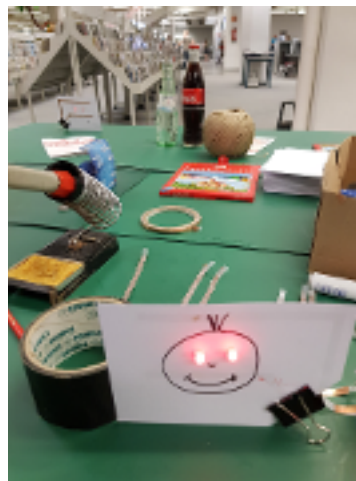- Calliope und Arduino, two minicomputers for first steps into programming.

Further, Information Science students from Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf presented their project "Regional and seasonal cooking" for which they created a website

Panel discussion with Agnes Mainka,

based on open data. The event was closed with a panel discussion on the topic "Digital engagement - opportunities and limitations" with Agnes Mainka (Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf), Anastasia Gilz (Lab Lead Code for Niederrhein), Alexander Smolianitski (CDO of the city Düsseldorf) and Damian Paderta (Kommunen.NRW). The panelists reported on their experience with digital engagement and their opinion on meaningful participation in municipal administration.

The Open Data was a successful, well-organized event. The library was a perfect location to convey openness and diversity.

Some more impressions from the sessions at the Open Data Day 2019 in Düsseldorf

Literature:
Yoon, D. (2017). The information science policy for the public open data of the national research institute. *Cogent Business & Management, 4* (1406321), 1-14.

I was at...

...52nd Hawaiian Conference on System Sciences (HICSS)

I am:

Hi, this is Franziska! I am a researcher and currently attending a master's degree program at Heinrich Heine University in Düsseldorf, Germany. I went to this great conference in January this year and I am very grateful for this opportunity, so I want to share my experience with you.

My research interests are:

Social media, especially Social Live Streaming Services, and Gamification. I am also interested in Fake News and its implications on truth. Currently, I am working together with my colleague Katrin Scheibe on our master's thesis about the information behavior of asylum seekers from the Middle East.

I attended:

I went to the 52nd HICSS (Hawaiian Conference on System Sciences) on Maui, Hawaii. The motto of the conference is: "Where ideas meet and science sparks." This can be truly felt at the different sessions, where all kinds of research areas and ideas in relation to system sciences are presented and discussed. It was a chance to learn more about topics concerning system sciences and connect with other scientists and experts.

My favorite session was:

To be honest, my favorite session was the one on Social Live Streaming Services chaired by my colleagues Kaja J. Fietkiewicz and Wolfgang G. Stock. I may be biased here, since both are my colleagues, but I truly felt they did a great job with making everyone feel welcome. Furthermore, they introduced their session with their own little presentation on Live Streaming to involve the audience and make everyone understand what the session is about. I also liked the session on Gamification by Juho Hamari and Petri Parvinen, since some interesting aspects on gamification were shared that I did not know about before, for example the involvement of the city in context of gamification, which I found fascinating.

Beautiful sunset at the conference venue on Maui

I really liked:

I really enjoyed the relaxed and friendly atmosphere and the mix of participants from all over the world. Not to mention the beautiful scenery outside the venue.

I was at...

...the 8th Annual Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences & Education Conference 2019

I am:

Isabelle Dorsch, a doctoral student and research associate of the Department of Information Science at the Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, Germany.

My research interests are:

I'm focusing on scientometric analyses as well as research on social media (with a special focus on user behavior and social tagging on Instagram).

I attended:

the 8th Annual Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences & Education Conference 2019, Waikiki, Honolulu, Hawaii (3.–5. January 2019).

My favorite session:

I liked the session about Urban and Regional Planning; Social Science. Since the presentations in this session do not directly focus on my research area, it was interesting to have a glimpse out of the own box.

Our presentation was about:

I was part of a researcher team (Janina Nikolic, Katrin Scheibe, Franziska Zimmer, Wolfgang G. Stock) analyzing country–specific sentiment on the microblogging service Twitter. Based on a dataset containing 14,192,182 tweets we analyzed if expressed sentiments (positive, neutral, negative) within text messages of Twitter are differentiated by the users' country. Overall, our question was if there are country– specific emotional patterns of microblogging behavior.

My recommendation for other students attending conferences:

If you are holding a presentation: Be prepared but don't be over–prepared. That means, know what you want to say but don't learn your whole presentation by rote. Besides, don't be shy when visiting the conference. Always remember other attendees are there in order to meet new people and exchange about research.

Katrin Scheibe and Isabelle Dorsch holding their presentation entitled country–specific sentiment on

I was at...

...the International Conference on Library and Information Science 2019

Hello everyone,

my name is Maria and I will tell you about my visit to Sapporo, Japan where I attended the International Conference on Library and Information Science (LIS) in January 2019.

The motto of LIS 2019

was "Digital Transformation and the Challenges of the New Information Environment: Reinventing Library for the Next User Generation". It took place in the Sapporo Convention Center from January 19th to 21st. Sapporo is located on the northern island of Hokkaido and famous for its miso ramen and beer. Yum!

During the conference we could already spot the preparations for Sapporo's Snow Festival as wel

Some cute Snow Sculptures in Sapporo, Japan.

My presentation at the conference was about:

Together with my colleagues I presented a research paper titled "Singapore's Library System and Its Place in a Smart Nation". This paper reflects the motto of this year's LIS very well since we analyzed the library system of Singapore regarding its ongoing development in a smart nation and its innovative services. If you are interested in our research, you can read the paper here.

My recommendation for everyone attending LIS 2020:

ALIS 2020 will take place in Osaka, Japan. As it will be in January, be prepared for some snow and pack warm clothes. The attendees at LIS are very nice and you will meet many interesting people – bring plenty of business cards! I know that being at a conference you will hear about many different research projects and maybe even hold your own presentation, but don't forget to soak in the Japanese culture and food, too. I hope you will have a lot of fun and maybe even send us an "I was at…" about it… ;-)

They keynote for LIS 2019 was held by Naresh Agarwal.

I was at...

...Bobcatsss 2019, Osijek, Croatia

I am:

Tomislava Žilić, undergraduate student of Information science, Faculty of humanities and social sciences at J. J. Strossmayer University of Osijek.

My research interests are:

Library science, information literacy, computer science, information technology.

I attended:

The 27th Bobcatsss symposium held in January 2019 in Osijek, Croatia. BOBCATSSS is an annual symposium in the field of library and information science. It is a tradition which has been passed on from one country to another since 1993. It is held under the auspices of EUCLID (European Association for Library and Information Education and Research) and is organized by students from Faculty of humanities and social sciences at J. J. Strossmayer University of Osijek. A total of 209 participants discussed this year's theme, "Information and Technology Changing Lives: Connection, Interaction, Innovation". There were 43 lectures, 6 workshops and 20 posters' exhibitions.

My presentation was about:

I co-presented a paper entitled "The use of online discussion forums by people with Alzheimer Disease and their caregivers," in which we presented initial findings from the international research project on information needs of people with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and their caregivers in Croatia. The study was conducted with the help of quantitative analysis and content analysis of statements on the Croatian Internet forum (Forum.hr).

My favorite session was:

My favourite session was presented by one of Bobcatsss 2019 invited speaker's Milijana Mičunović (University of Osijek, Croatia). She had interesting talk on topic "New industrial revolution, emerging technologies and information institutions: is there a roadmap to the future?"

I really liked:

The best part of the conference was to meet new people, especially students from all around the world. Sharing ideas, experiences and views with professors and students in formal and informal way is the whole point of symposiums and conferences. As volunteer at this conference I was pleased to see people having fun and enjoying their stay in Osijek and on Bobcatsss2019 conference.

Attendees of BOBCATSSS 2019

My recommendation for other students attending conferences:

Professionally, conferences could be great practice ground for developing your public speaking skills, also you can learn a lot about your field of study. Conferences are perfect opportunity to be part of global LIS community.

I was at...

...the European Conference on Social Media (ECSM) in Brighton, UK

I am:

Hello everyone, my name is Katrin Scheibe, I am a lecturer and researcher as well as master degree student at Heinrich Heine University in Düsseldorf, Germany. I have already been at the European Conference on Social Media in 2018 and want to tell you about this years' experience...

My research interest are:

Social Media, Information Behavior, and Gamification, especially in relation to Social Live Streaming Services. But, I am also conducting research about Fake News, Sentiment Analysis, and libraries.

I attended:

I went to the European Conference on Social Media in Brighton, United Kingdom. The conference took place at the University of Brighton, Moulsecoomb Campus, on 13th and 14th of June, 2019. The contribution I presented was about 'The Social Media Usage of Asylum Seekers in Germany.'

The Brighton Pier at the sea

My favorite session was:

The poster session was my favorite, because you are able to speak with the researchers in a more familiar way and it is easier to ask questions if you were not able to ask them during a session. Also, there was a session about refugees, which is connected to my research topic, and I really liked that.

The Conference Chair awards the winner of the best poster award at the conference closing

I really liked:

Everyone at the conference was really friendly and kind. The atmosphere was relaxed and it was a lot of fun. I was able to meet many people from various fields of interests, e.g. education, economics, and computer science. And, I learned a lot about the different research topics which are connected to social media.

My recommendation for other students attending conferences:

If you have the chance to attend a conference, use it to get in contact with other people. It was my first conference I attended on my own and it was a really great experience!

I was at…

…20th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research (dg.o 2019)

I am:

Christine Meschede, PhD student at the department of Information Science at Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf, Germany.

My research interests are:

Open Government and Open Data, Information Science and Sustainable Development

I attended:

The 20th Annual International Conference on Digital Government Research in Dubai, VAE

Water fountains at Dubai, VAE

My presentation at the conference:

I presented a paper about Open Urban Data and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). I showed how Open Data can be used to measure progress on the SDGs at the city level and presented a small-scale case study on German cities and their open data portals.

My favorite session was:

I attended a workshop entitled "Towards a Smart Sustainable City Roadmap: Identifying Competency Gaps". Therein, the "CAP4CITY" project was presented, which aims at strenghening governance capacity for smart sustainable cities. It was very interesting to learn about this project and to connect with the other attendees. I also liked the presentation of Lama Zakzak about Dubai's "Happiness Agenda".

Workshop "Towards a Smart Sustainable City Roadmap"

I really liked:

The atmosphere at the conference was very warm and welcoming. The organization at the conference and the food were great.

My recommendation for other students attending conferences:

Talk about your research with other researchers and seek their feedback. If possible, try to attend Doctoral Colloquims which are often a great way to exchange with other students and researchers.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Special Issue: Aslib Journal of Information Management Showcasing Doctoral Research in Information Science

This special issue, to be published in 2020, is edited by Isto Huvila, Uppsala University (Sweden), Aylin Ilhan and Isabelle Dorsch, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf (Germany).

The European Chapter of the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) calls out for doctoral students to collaborate and work together with their doctoral advisers on a contribution for this special issue.

Submissions which investigate topics on information systems, information management, archives and records management, social informatics, health informatics, metrics, information ethics & policy, education for Information Science, information behavior and other related research topics within the scope of information science are cordially invited for this special issue.

Submission format
Papers should be 4,000 to 9,000 words in length (including references) and formatted in accordance with the journal's author guidelines.

Opinion pieces will not be considered for the special issue.

About the Journal
Aslib Journal of Information Management (AJIM; ISSN: 2050–3806) is a peer-reviewed international journal providing key insights into the latest international developments in the research and practice of information management and information science.

Information about the journal can be found at http://www.emeraldgrouppublishing.com/products/journals/journals.htm?id=AJIM

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Paper submission: **30 October, 2019**
Notice of review results: **30 January, 2020**
Revisions due: **29 February, 2020**

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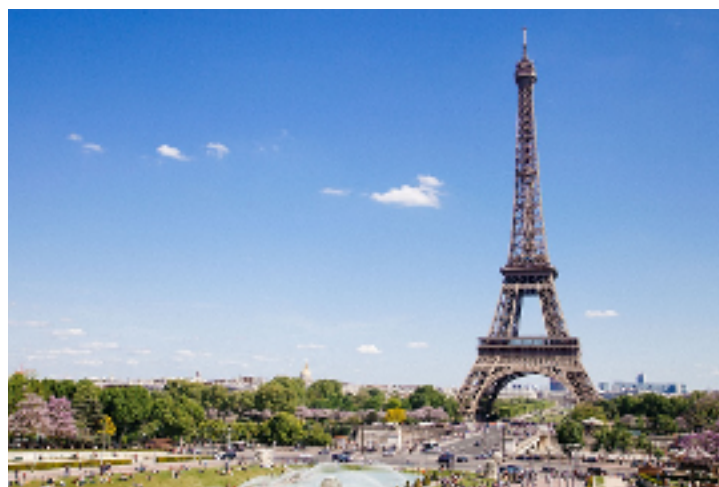
Do not miss…

…BOBCATSSS 2020 (Paris, France, January 22-24, 2020)

About

BOBCATSSS is an international annual symposium which addresses hot topics for librarians and other information professionals in the fast changing environment. It is created by and for students, teachers, researchers and professionals in the information field. BOBCATSSS is held under the auspices of EUCLID (European Association for Library and Information Education and Research). It is a tradition which has been passed on from one European country to another since 1993, providing rich professional program, accompanied by numerous opportunities for networking, personal exchanges, discussions, and learning.

Paris, France

Organization and Venue

BOBCATSSS 2020 takes place in Paris, France, and is jointly organized by the Institut Francilien d'Ingénierie des Services (IFIS), Université Paris- Est Marne- la- Vallée, and University of Library Studies and Information Technologies (ULSIT), Sofia, Bulgaria.

Read more:

Website
http://www.bobcatsss.info/2020/

Twitter
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Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/Bobcatsss/

Instagram
https://www.instagram.com/bobcatsss2020/

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

Submission of abstracts: 13th September 2019
Notification of acceptance: 11th October 2019
Submission of full-text manuscripts: 15th November 2019
Notification of acceptance for full-text manuscripts: 13th December 2019

Do not miss...

...iConference 2020 (Borås, Sweden, March 23-26, 2020)

About

Since 2005, the iConference series has provided forums in which information scholars, researchers and professionals share their insights on critical information issues in contemporary society. An openness to new ideas and research fields in information science is a primary characteristic of the event. Attendance has grown every year; participants appreciate the inspiring sense of community, high quality research presentations, and myriad opportunities for engagement.

The iConference series is presented by the iSchools, a worldwide consortium of Information Schools dedicated to advancing the information field, and preparing students to meet the information challenges of the 21st Century. Affiliation with the iSchools is not required—all information scholars, researchers and practitioners are welcome at the iConference.

Organization and Theme

iConference 2020 is co-hosted by the University of Borås: Swedish School of Library and Information Science, and Oslo Metropolitan University: Department of Archivistics, Library and Information Science. It is the 15th conference in our annual series.

The theme of iConference 2020 is Sustainable Digital Communities. Visit our Program track pages for full details. Click here to view a pdf of our Call for Participation; we encourage you to share the CfP widely.

Website
https://ischools.org/iConference-2020-Preview

Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/iConference

Twitter: @iConf | #iconf20

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

Submission portal opens: late June, 2019
Full and Short Research Papers submissions due: September 16, 2019
Posters, Visions, Workshops, SIE submissions due: September 23, 2019
Doctoral Colloquium and Early Career Colloquium submissions due: September 23, 2019
Student Symposium submissions due: October 15, 2019
Doctoral Dissertation Award nominations due: October 15, 2019
Notification of acceptance
Generally: mid-November 2019
Workshops notifications: mid-October, 2019

Do not miss...

...LIDA 2020 (Dubrovnik, Croatia, May 19-22, 2020)

About

Since its beginning in 2000, LIDA has sought to be on the forefront of significant developments and challenges as libraries and information agencies embrace significant technological changes. The construct of identity and how individuals and groups come to define themselves is complex. Understanding and addressing this complexity is the theme of LIDA 2020. As demonstrated in its 20 year history, LIDA seeks to provide an interdisciplinary platform for researchers, LIS practitioners and educators to present conceptualizations, empirical research, trends, innovations, challenges in relation to Identity, particularly in the context of the ongoing development of library and information agencies, systems and services.

Venue

Dubrovnik, Croatia is recognized as one of the World Cultural Heritage sites by UNESCO. It is a walled city, preserved as it existed in medieval times. A beautiful natural location on the Adriatic Sea, a lavish architecture of squares, palaces, and churches, small, intriguing hill- hugging streets, pedestrian- only traffic within the walls, outings to the enchanting near- by islands – all these and more combine to make Dubrovnik one of the most popular destinations in Europe. The city of Dubrovnik is also often referred to as "the Pearl of the Adriatic". Lately became even more popular around the world as a filming location for several famous series and movies: Game of Thrones, or Star Wars: The Last Jedi and The Borgias.

Dubrovnic, Croatia

Website: http://lida.ffos.hr/

CfP: https://easychair.org/cfp/LIDA2020

Facebook

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

Submission of proposals to LIDA 2020 (extended abstracts): 1 October 2019
Notification of acceptance: 15 November 2019
Submission of full-text manuscripts for consideration for publication in Education for Information (EFI): 30 June 2020 (OPTIONAL)
Notification of acceptance for full-text manuscripts: 1 October 2020

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