



## **Crossing Boundaries: Advancing Global Dialogue and Well-being through Information Research and Practice**

**Association for Information Science and Technology  
89th Annual Meeting**

**16-20 OCTOBER 2026**  
**Bangkok, Thailand**

### **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

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Globally, societies are confronted with intensifying political polarization, inequities of access to information resources, eroding public trust, and widening disparities in economic, health, and educational opportunity. Rapid technological transformations, including the widespread adoption of digital platforms and artificial intelligence, are changing the ways information is produced, shared, used, and curated. At the same time, cultural memory institutions, public information services, and knowledge infrastructures are under increasing pressure to address global challenges such as sustainable development, social resilience, and equitable growth. In this context, the role of information research and practice goes beyond generating new knowledge, to connect communities, preserve culture, bridge divides, and ultimately advance human well-being.

The theme of the 2026 ASIS&T Annual Meeting, “Crossing Boundaries: Advancing Global Dialogue and Well-being through Information Research and Practice,” reflects these imperatives. Hosted for the first time in Asia, the meeting highlights the association's growing global influence and its commitment to promoting cross-regional, cross-linguistic, and cross-disciplinary dialogue. Crossing boundaries encompasses not only geographic and spatial movement, but also collaboration among researchers, practitioners, educators, policymakers, and communities, as well as the circulation and stewardship of information across diverse sociocultural and institutional contexts. It also underscores the proactive role of information and memory institutions such as libraries, archives, and museums, in fostering mutual understanding and shared responsibility. The theme emphasizes that information scholarship and professional practice have a critical role in advancing equitable access to information, encouraging inclusive participation, supporting sustainability, and improving quality of life for individuals, communities, and societies.

The 2026 ASIS&T Annual Meeting will take place in Asia as an in-person event. There will be a virtual satellite meeting allowing for an option for virtual participation to ensure broad international engagement.

# CONFERENCE CHAIRS

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**Vice Chair:** Annie T. Chen, *University of Washington, USA*

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## Early Career Co-Chairs

**Co-Chair:** Mega Subramaniam, *University of Maryland, USA*

**Co-Chair:** Diane Kelly, *University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA*

# IMPORTANT DATES\*

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## Workshops

Submission of workshop proposals due: **9 April 2026, 11:59 PM EDT**

Notification regarding submitted workshops: **23 April 2026**

Please note, all virtual workshops will be recorded. Please confirm with your speakers before submitting your proposal that they are willing to be recorded.

## Papers

Submission of paper proposals due: **9 April 2026, 11:59 PM EDT**

Notification regarding submitted papers: **19 May 2026**

Camera-ready accepted paper abstracts due: **18 June 2026, 11:59 PM EDT** (only if you would like your paper published in the *Proceedings*, which is optional)

## Panels and Alternative Events

Submission of panel proposals due: **9 April 2026, 11:59 PM EDT**

Notifications regarding submitted panels: **19 May 2026**

Camera-ready accepted panel abstracts due: **18 June 2026, 11:59 PM EDT** (only if you would like your panel paper published in the *Proceedings*, which is optional)

## Posters

Submission of poster proposals due: **4 June 2026, 11:59 PM EDT**

Notifications regarding submitted posters: **9 July 2026**

Camera-ready accepted poster abstracts due: **30 July 2026, 11:59 PM EDT** (only if you would like your poster paper published in the *Proceedings*, which is optional)

## Doctoral/Early Career Colloquium

Proposal submissions due: **4 June 2026, 11:59 PM EDT**

Notifications regarding submitted proposals: **31 July 2026**

## Registration Deadlines

Early Bird: 6 August, 2026

Advanced: 1 October 2026

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## Submission site will open February 2026

Watch the 2026 Conference Website ([www.asist.org/am26](http://www.asist.org/am26)) for updates.

\*Subject to change. Please check <https://www.asist.org/am26/> for updates