

Call for Papers and Participation

International Workshop on Global Collaboration of Information Schools WIS 2012

November 15, 2012

A workshop at ICADL 2012 (<http://www.icadl2012.org/>), Taipei, Taiwan

About WIS 2012

Like previous years, this year the International Workshop on Global Collaboration of Information Schools, WIS2012, will be held on the platform of ICADL2012 (International Conference on Asia-Pacific Digital Libraries) the later to be held at the GIS, NTU Convention Centre, from 12-15 November, 2012 in Taipei, Taiwan (www.icadl2012.org).

This year WIS2012 will take place on November 15th. The first half of the Workshop will comprise research paper sessions which is being organised jointly with the Graduate Students Consortium (GSC) of ICADL2012. The second half of the day will comprise a round table discussion for information schools collaboration and research paper presentations by students and young researchers at information schools.

This is a call for papers for the research paper presentation session of WIS2012. Keeping in view the objectives of WIS2012, this call is specifically directed towards the current Graduate/PhD students and young researchers of the information schools community, e.g., CiSAP (Consortium of information Schools in Asia Pacific) and iSchools Community.

All submissions will be reviewed by the WIS2012 committee before they are selected for presentation.

The WIS organizing Committee is in discussion with some relevant peer reviewed journals for possible publication of the revised and final version of selected WIS2012 papers. The contributors may choose to publish their papers in the recommended journals, subject to further peer review process of the recommended journals (to be announced later), or they may choose to publish the full version or an extended abstract of their paper in the final WIS2012 Proceedings to be published on the CiSAP website.

Workshop Framework

WIS 2012 will have three parts,

- Graduate Students Forum (ICADL 2012 main conference): Presentations by graduate students
- Roundtable Discussion: Discussion by invited delegates
- Research Forum: Presentations of research papers reviewed by the organizing committee based on the quality

Research Forum

Young researchers and PhD students are encouraged to submit their papers to Research Forum or Doctoral Students Forum. The topics are shown below but not limited to,

- Digital Libraries, Archives, Curation and Preservation
- Information Access, Discovery and Retrieval
- Metadata and Knowledge Organization

- LIS Education, Professional practices, and LIS and Society
- Web, Social networking and Information management

Important dates:

- Last date for submission of papers: 20 September 2012
- Notification of acceptance: 1 October 2012
- Submission of the final version: 17 October 2012

Submission Instruction

One PDF and one MSWord2007 version of long (10 pages) and short (4 pages) research papers, or synopsis of research in case of new PhD students, should be sent by e-mail to the WIS2012 Co-Chairs: gobinda.chowdhury@uts.edu.au and wvilas@engr.tu.ac.th. Contributors are advised to use no smaller than 11 pt font size and a consistent citation style and include the following information in the submission.

Name, affiliation and email address of the corresponding author, and
Type of submission: Research Paper or Research Synopsis.

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Background:

Previous workshops

- WIS 2010: <https://sites.google.com/site/wischool2010/>
- WIS 2011: <https://sites.google.com/site/wischool2011/>

CiSAP (Consortium of iSchools - Asia Pacific) <http://dis.sci.ntu.edu.sg/cisap/about.htm>) was established on 5 December 2008 as a not-for-profit organisation to promote collaboration among iSchools in the Asia Pacific region. As of February 2010, 21 institutions from 10 different countries have joined CiSAP. Members of the Consortium are academic institutions for higher education interested and involved in education and research in the area of 'information'. Being part of CiSAP and being involved in the consortium's activities provides member institutions an important opportunity for international engagements and for raising the profile of their information school programmes and research. CiSAP is founded as a voluntary organization and does not require a membership fee.

The iSchools (<http://www.ischools.org>) were founded in the early 2000's to establish broad recognition of the information field and its importance to society. In this role, they sought to position a group of academic institutions to identify, clarify and speak to the major issues, challenges and driving questions at the nexus of information, technology and society. The defining characteristics of iSchools include:

- an interest in the relationships among information, technology, and people;
- a commitment to learning and understanding the role of information in human endeavors;
- a recognition that expertise in all forms of information is required for progress in science, business, education, and culture; and
- a belief that this expertise must include understanding of the uses and users of information, as well as information technologies and their applications.

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