International Symposium on the Future of Education in Information Science (FEIS)

10–11 September 2018, Pisa, Italy

Call for papers

Differences in entry requirements and learning outcomes in the field of Information Science (IS) cause large mobility barriers and lack of uniformity among Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) that offer Master degrees in IS. The Erasmus+ EINFOSE project seeks to find out the appropriate ways and modes of the harmonization and recognition of the entry requirements which would enable students from other fields to master learning outcomes at the graduate level of IS programs. The International Symposium on the Future of Education in Information Sciences (FEIS 2018) is intended to stimulate discussion and reach commonly accepted recommendations that could serve not only to partner HEIs but also as a model for other academic disciplines.

Contributions and discussion are solicited from HEIs, their governing bodies, public authorities responsible for the implementation of EU guidelines and recommendations at the HEI level as well as representatives from national agencies for diploma recognition, ECTS implementation and Qualification Frameworks. Submissions are also invited from researchers and institutions to share their experience and accomplishments in recognition and mobility processes, building up the European Qualification Framework and its nationally based implementations, and in the implementation of new teaching/learning didactics and evaluation approaches and methods. Contributions from outside the EU are very welcome. It is expected that the exchange of ideas and experience in accreditation processes, cooperative efforts and joint programs at graduate and postgraduate level throughout the

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World might contribute to discussions about the future of education of Information professionals in Europe and Worldwide.

Suggested topics include (but are not limited to):

- Educational trends in higher education worldwide
- Information professionals in changing and challenging digital environment (new profiles, old skills and new competencies, social role)
- Entrepreneurship and the information professional
- Reminiscing about the future of professional education
- Ethical values in IS (Universal access, collaboration, intellectual freedom, fairness)
- Multidisciplinarity issues and relation with other sciences (Computer Sciences, Digital Humanities, Economics, etc.)
- Best educational practices and current challenges
- Software tools and platforms for collaborative learning and teaching
- Open educational resources
- Role and responsibility of archives, libraries and documentation centers in higher education
- Entrance into the labour market of IS graduates.

Submission and Publication

We welcome and encourage the submission of high-quality, original papers, which are not being submitted simultaneously for publication elsewhere. Long papers, describing original ideas on the listed topics and on other fundamental aspects of higher education in Information Science, are solicited. Moreover, short papers or posters on early research results, new results on previous published works, demos, and projects are also welcome.

Long papers should not exceed 12 pages, including bibliography.
Short papers should not exceed 6 pages, including bibliography.
Poster descriptions should not exceed 2 pages.

All accepted contributions will be collected in the Symposium Proceedings and published online, as Open Access, in the Repository of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at the University of Osijek, indexed in Google Scholar. Selected papers will be published in a special issue of one of the online journals dedicated to Information Science. Contributions should be written in English, formatted for single column A4 paper, without page numbering. Right and left margins should be justified, with 1,15 line spacing and 11 point Times New

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Roman font to be used for the body text. A Word template is available at: **http://feis2018.di.unipi.it/assets/docs/FEIS_template.doc**. All contributions (either in Word or in .pdf) should be submitted via Easychair at: **https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=feis2018** The review process will be double blind. Please make sure not to include the authors names in the contribution, and to provide them to Easychair when making the submission.

Important Dates

Papers and posters submission: **25 March 2018 (extended!)**

Notification to authors: **14 May 2018**

Camera-ready copies due by **1 July 2018**

On line proceedings published by **end of August**

Conference: **10-11 September 2018**

Symposium registration

Regular registration fees:

150 euro early registration (until June 3rd, 2018)
200 euro standard registration (until August 20th, 2018)
250 euro late and on-site registration

Student registration fees:

50 euro early registration (until June 3rd, 2018)
100 euro standard and on-site registration
125 euro late and on-site registration

Registration fees include coffee breaks and light lunches.
Social dinner (on September 10th, 2018) is not included and the cost is 40 euro per person.

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Student scholarship

A number of student scholarships is being offered offered to cover registration, travel, and accommodation. The deadline for applying is May 1st, 2018. Please see: **http://feis2018.di.unipi.it/scholarships** for complete details.

Keynote lecturers

David Bawden, City University London, UK

Leif Kajberg, School of Library and Information Science, Denmark

Gary Marchionini, University of North Carolina, USA

Anna Maria Tammaro, University of Parma, Italy

Please see: **http://feis2018.di.unipi.it/lecturers** for more information.

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