

Call for Workshop Proposals

The 8th Working IEEE/IFIP Conference on Software Architecture (WICSA) and the 3rd European Conference on Software Architecture (ECSA) have merged in 2009 to provide a unique forum for researchers and practitioners to present and discuss the latest R&D outcomes, experiences, trends, and challenges in the field of software architecture. This synergistic coupling of WICSA and ECSA for the first time promises an even more inspiring and productive event in 2009.

WICSA/ECSA 2009 will offer workshops as well as research and working sessions and tutorials. Workshops provide a forum to discuss topics of rising interest in software architecture and may be half-day or one-day events. Workshops will be held before the main conference.

Workshops are distinguished from WICSA Working Sessions in that they are organized by an independent program committee determining the Workshop's format and structure. For example, they may choose to invite speakers in their own CFP, or set up an open discussion based on a pre-defined program. (In contrast, WICSA Working Sessions are organized by the WICSA PC: they have a fixed format in which short papers on related grouped topics are presented in a setting that invites discussion). Workshops are responsible for creation and distribution of their papers.

Proposal Submission

Proposals must not exceed four pages in length, and must be submitted electronically in Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) and can be emailed to Judith Stafford (jas@cs.tufts.edu) before midnight CET on April 20, 2009. Proposals should include

- Title
- Names and affiliations of organizers
- Past workshops (at WICSA, ECSA or elsewhere) held by the organizers
- Whether you prefer full-day or half-day option
- Goals for the workshop
- Relationship of the workshop theme with the field of Software Architecture

Evaluation Criteria

Workshop proposals will be reviewed by the WICSA/ECSA 2009 Program Committee in a separate evaluation process from research papers. Acceptance will be based on:

- * Evaluation of the workshop's potential to advance the state of software architecture research and/or practice
- * Timeliness and expected interest in the topic
- * Organizers' ability to lead a successful workshop
- * Balancing and synergies with other WICSA or ECSA events

Acceptance

Each accepted workshop will have two (2) pages for a summary in the conference proceedings. Upon notification of acceptance, all authors of accepted workshops will be asked to complete an IEEE Copyright form and will receive further instructions for preparing their camera ready versions according to the WICSA/ECSA 2009 Format and Submission Guidelines.