FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS
ISCRAM-Med 2014:
Information Systems for Crisis Response and Management
in Mediterranean countries

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Conference Dates: Oct 15-17 2014
Toulouse France

OBJECTIVE AND TOPICS

The aim of ISCRAM-Med is to bring together researchers and practitioners working in the area of Information Systems for Crisis Response and Management and especially on Mediterranean crisis. Indeed, many crises have occurred in recent years around the Mediterranean Sea. For instance, we can mention political crisis such as Arabic Spring (Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, ...), economic crisis in Spain and Greece, earthquake in Italy, fires in France and Spain, riots in French suburbs or even the explosion of chemical plant AZF in Toulouse. Some of them even had a domino effect on others.

Also, the shared history between the Mediterranean countries and common geo-political issues led to solidarity among peoples and cross-country military interventions. This observation demonstrates the importance of considering some of these crises in this region at a Mediterranean level rather than as isolated phenomena.

Topics include but are not limited to:
- Analytical Modelling and Simulation
- Social Media Observation
- Crisis Ontology
- Community Engagement in Crisis Informatics Research
- Command and Control Studies
- Decision Support Systems
- Disaster Relief Supply Chain Management
- Information System Interoperability and Inter-organizational issues
- Ethical, Legal and Social Issues of IT Supported Emergency Response
- Geographic Information Science
- Humanitarian Information Systems
- Intelligent Systems
- Planning, Foresight and Risk Analysis
- Practitioner Cases and Practitioner-Centered Research
- Serious Games for Crisis Management
- Visual Analytics for Crisis Management

CONTRIBUTIONS
All paper submissions must make a new and significant contribution to the body of knowledge on information systems for emergency management, support their contribution with valid arguments, and be clearly structured and well written. ISCRAM-Med 2014 invites two categories of papers:

- *Research papers* presenting valid, original, relevant cutting edge research that will be reviewed to the highest academic standards. Reviewing will pay additional attention to the application of the related scientific literature and theory, to the use of an appropriate research methodology, and to technical, mathematical and statistical correctness.
- *Demo papers* presenting new developments in emergency management and policy making, discussing approaches, methods, tools, (best) practices and standards. These papers should focus on practical issues and concerns and raise challenges for future research, and will be reviewed to the highest practice-oriented standards.

All papers (up to 12 pages LNCS style) should be written in English and submitted electronically in PDF format through the easychair conference system
https://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iscrammed2014

Every submitted paper will be evaluated by at least three members of the program committee. An ISBN number for the proceedings will be available and the papers will be indexed by DBLP.

IMPORTANT DATES

- April 30, 2014:   Due date for papers submission
- May 30, 2014:   Final acceptance
- June 30, 2014:   Camera-ready paper due
- Conference: 15th to the 17th October 2014.

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