Twenty-first Annual Conference of the

Southern Association for Information Systems (SAIS 2018)

Call for Papers

SAIS 2018 Conference

March 23-24, 2018

The Georgian Terrace

Atlanta, Georgia

The Southern Association for Information Systems (SAIS) is an official chapter of the Association for Information Systems (AIS). The annual SAIS conference is an intimate gathering of information systems academics with fewer than one hundred participants. Past SAIS conferences have attracted doctoral students and faculty, including many recognized scholars, from around the US and around the globe. SAIS 2018 will be held in beautiful Atlanta, Georgia. Bring your family to experience the history and Southern charm of Atlanta.

In Atlanta, rich history, fine dining, and shopping combine with exciting attractions to create a city with Southern charm and sophistication. It is easy to see why Atlanta, Georgia is one of the most popular destinations in the Southeast to visit.

SAIS 2018 provides an opportunity for close interaction among presenters and attendees. Completed research papers and research-in-progress from all areas related to information systems are invited for submission. All accepted papers or abstracts will be included in the conference proceedings published in the AIS e-Library. In addition, selected papers will be fast-tracked for publication in the *Journal of the Southern Association for Information Systems* (JSAIS) (http://aisel.aisnet.org/jsais/) with Michael Cuellar as editor.

Important Dates

January 5, 2017: Submission deadline for completed papers, research-in-progress, panels, and workshops
February 9, 2018: Acceptance notification
February 16, 2018: Deadline for author registration & submission of final versions of accepted papers
February 20, 2018: Deadline to make hotel reservations at the group conference rate
March 23-24, 2018: Conference

Registration at the conference is open on the morning of March 23. The conference ends with lunch from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm on March 24. For more information on the conference, please consult the SAIS website or contact the conference chair, Dr. Nima Kordzadeh at nkordzadeh@wpi.edu, or the program chair, Dr. Jeannie Pridmore at programchair@southernais.org.

Submission Guidelines*

Submissions are accepted online for full papers, research-in-progress, panels and workshops. Authors of accepted papers have the option of either publishing the full paper in the proceedings or requesting to have only the abstract published in the proceedings. At least one author must register for the conference by February 20, 2018 and must present the paper at the conference for the paper to be published in the proceedings.

The conference best paper will be recognized and invited for fast track submission to JSAIS. Student best paper selections are eligible for cash prizes for up to $200. Submissions must not exceed six single-spaced pages (approximately 2,500 words), including all figures, tables, appendices, and references. Previously published work or work under review elsewhere is not eligible for submission. To be considered a student paper, the paper can only include student authors. Please use the template posted on the conference web page to prepare your submission. To facilitate a blind review, please do not include any author or affiliation identification on any page of the document, in headings, footers, or in properties of the submitted file. All authors must adhere to the AIS code of research conduct.

Doctoral, Master's, and Undergraduate students are encouraged to submit their research as either a full paper or research-in-progress. Students can expect to receive thoughtful and substantive feedback both through paper reviews and through comments from their presentation audience. Submissions that include only Graduate and Undergraduate students as authors will be eligible for a best paper competition with both reviewer and audience feedback used to determine awards. Student conference attendees are eligible for reduced conference registration rates and membership fees. Please see the conference website for additional details.

The topics of interest in this conference include, but are not limited to:

- Accounting Information Systems
- Adoption and Diffusion of Information Technology

- Decision Support Systems and Data Analytics
- Digital Commerce
- E-government
- End-user Information Systems, Innovation, and Organizational Change
- Enterprise Systems
- Geographic Information Systems
- Global, International, and Cultural Issues in IS
- Green IS and Sustainability
- Healthcare Informatics and Information Technology
- Human Capital in Information Systems
- Human-Computer Interaction
- Information Systems Security and Privacy
- IS in Education, IS Curriculum, Education and Teaching Cases
- IT Project Management
- Social Media and Virtual Communities
- Strategic and Competitive Use of IT
- Systems Analysis and Design

Contact the program chair, Dr. Jeannie Pridmore programchair@southernais.org if you are willing to serve as a reviewer.

All submissions and reviews will be submitted online at:
http://saisconferencemgmt.org/openconf/openconf.php

Please post and distribute this call for papers to interested colleagues and students.

Best.