



ISCRAM2009
**The 6th International Conference on Information Systems for
Crisis Response and Management**

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TRACK: Human Computer Interaction

CALL FOR PAPERS

FOR A SPECIAL SESSION ON

HCI Design for Emergency Systems

Session ID: HCI1

Motivation

This special session aims to stimulate the investigation of aspects of Human-Computer Interaction and User Centred Design methodologies applied to information systems for critical and emergency situations.

During an emergency situation people react in different ways; some of them caused by stress, the environment or even by lack or overload of information. Designing for all is a challenge because there is no effective standard design due to emergency and people features (backgrounds, experiences, and ages).

There is a growing sense in the community that new methods of design and evaluation are needed; these approaches require considering usability and user-centered design when developing information systems targeted at the emergency management.

Topics

- *HCI for emergencies*
- *User-Centred Design*
- *Participatory Design*
- *Universal Design*
- *Case studies*

Type of contribution:

- **Academic contribution:** we invite researchers from academia or research labs to present their research or research-in-progress papers. Prospective presenters submit a regular research (or research-in-progress) paper.



- **Practitioner contribution:** we invite practitioners to present their practice or experiences in information systems development, use or needs. Prospective presenters submit a short practitioner paper or a Powerpoint presentation along with an abstract.

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Important ISCRAM 2009 Dates:

- Submission deadline: January 11, 2009
- Notification of conditional accept: February 16, 2009
- Final submission revised paper: March 1, 2009
- Final author notification: March 9, 2009
- Early registration deadline: March 22, 2009
- Conference: May 10-13 2009

About ISCRAM:

The ISCRAM Community is a worldwide community of researchers, scholars, teachers, students, practitioners and policy makers interested or actively involved in the subject of Information Systems for Crisis Response and Management. At its annual international conference alternating between the US and Europe, the ISCRAM Community gathers to present and discuss the latest research and developments in this growing area during an interactive and stimulating 3 day program. The ISCRAM Community also organizes an International Summer School for PhD students and ISCRAM-CHINA, an annual conference for ISCRAM research in China. All information on ISCRAM can be found at <http://www.iscram.org>

This year the conference will be held from 10-13 May at the Göteborg University located in Gothenburg, Sweden. The conference will be hosted by the Viktoria Institute and the IT-university of Gothenburg. All details on this conference will be made available via the ISCRAM website mentioned above.