



**May 24- 27 2015**  
**Centre for Integrated Emergency Management / University of Agder**  
**Kristiansand, Norway**

## **CALL FOR TRACK PROPOSALS**

**DUE DATE: July 18th 2014**

CONFERENCE THEME:

### **Getting ready for the unexpected – Information Systems for Crisis Management in a complex and uncertain world**

Emergencies are characterised by their '*un-ness*' - '... unexpected, unscheduled, unplanned, unprecedented and definitely unpleasant' (Crichton 2003) – they are unexpected and unknowable in their specific unfolding. However good plans and scenarios may be, uncertainty is a defining feature in emergency events.

Through this conference theme we invite Tracks and submissions focusing on the technologies, procedures, approaches, methods and tools that can be employed to improve crisis response in an increasingly complex and dynamic world. Creative and critical reflections are welcome.

## As a **Track chair**, you

- Define areas of particular interest for ISCRAM and in relation to the Conference Theme
- Communicate with prospective authors
- Solicit and read paper submissions
- Recruit reviewers for Long Papers and review Short Papers
- Manage the review process in your Track, enforcing deadlines, writing meta-reviews, and propose acceptance decisions to the Program Chairs
- Check the final version for content and formatting
- Nominate papers for plenary presentation
- Moderate your track's sessions at the ISCRAM conference

Track chairs are encouraged to arrange for a special issue for their best papers.

To submit a proposal, please use the template provided on the ISCRAM2015 web site (<http://iscram2015.uia.no/>). Submit your proposal by email to [iscram2015.tracks@iscram.org](mailto:iscram2015.tracks@iscram.org) by **18th July 2015 5pm GMT**.

The **track selection** process is competitive and a limited number of new track themes will be accepted. Criteria for acceptance are relevance to the conference and this year's theme, topicality, significance, intellectual ambition and quality. ISCRAM2015 seeks to build on will include tracks that have been offered successfully at recent conferences.

## Important Dates for ISCRAM 2015 Track Chairs

01 August 2014	Notification of acceptance for Tracks & CfP open
02 September 2014	Track chair coordination meeting (Skype, 5pm GMT)
17 November 2014	ConfTool coordination meeting (Skype, 5pm GMT)
19 November 2014	Track Chairs' external reviewer recruitment complete
21 November 2014	Long Papers & Panel Proposals deadline
19 December 2014	Long Paper external reviews deadline
02 January	Track Chairs' meta reviews on Long Papers & recommendations for acceptance
16 January 2015	Acceptance notification: Long Papers
30 January 2015	Short Papers, Demos & Posters deadline
10 February	Camera-ready copies of Long Papers deadline
13 February 2015	Track chairs' reviews on Short Papers & Recommendations for Acceptance deadline
16 February	Notification of acceptance for Short Papers, Demos, Posters
27 February 2015	Camera-ready Short Papers deadline

(At least one author must be registered for the conference by April 1, so that the conference programme and proceedings can be completed).

## Conference Dates

Sunday, May 24 2015	Doctoral Colloquium, Tutorials, Workshops, Beer evening
Monday, May 25, 2015	1st Day of Conference Poster Session Welcome Reception
Tuesday, May 26 2015:	2nd Day of Conference. ISCRAM General Assembly Demo Session Award Ceremony Conference Banquet
Wednesday, May 27 2015: through to about 5 pm	Final Conference Day Closing Session and Farewell

We look forward to receiving your Track proposals.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [iscram2015.tracks@iscram.org](mailto:iscram2015.tracks@iscram.org)

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