

Reports and Communications

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Forthcoming Conferences and Meetings 1998

18-20 February, Technische Hochschule Darmstadt, Hauptgebäude, Hochschulstr. International Conference on Knowledge, Logic and Information. This 3-day conference promotes exchange and discourse about actual research on conceptual knowledge processing in connection with human-centered approaches to logic and to information. Paper submissions should be sent to Prof. Dr. Rudolf Wille, FB Mathematik, Technische Hochschule, D-64289 Darmstadt, Schloßgartenstraße 7; phone: ++49-6151-163415; fax: ++49-6151-164011; e-mail: ConKnow@mathematik.th-darmstadt.de.

26-30 July, Madison, Wisconsin, USA. The American Association for Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) will hold the 15th National Conference on Artificial Intelligence and the 10th Innovative Applications of Artificial Intelligence Program. For further information, call 415/328-3128, e-mail at ncai@aaai.org or visit the web site at <http://www.aaai.org/Conferences>. The program co-chairs are Jack Mostow of Carnegie Mellon University (mostow@cs.cmu.edu), and Charles Rich of Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratory (rich@merl.com). Following the AAAI conference, the 20th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society will be held (July 27-29), while the 3rd Annual Genetic Programming Conference will be held prior to the AAAI Conference.

13-15 August, Sheffield, England. ISIC'98 Information Seeking in Context. Sponsored by the Department of Information Studies. Topics of interest are information behavior and electronic environments, information requirements and systems design, and information seeking in educational, business and health sectors. For more information, visit the web site at http://panizzi.shef.ac.uk/david_allen/ISIC/isic.html or contact the Dept. of Information Studies, Regent Court, 211 Portobello St., Sheffield, S1 4DP, England; tel: +114 222 2630; fax: +411 278 0300; e-mail: m.x.walker@sheffield.ac.uk

31 Aug.-4 Sept., Vienna, Austria/Budapest, Hungary. XVth IFIP World Computer Congress. Seven conferences with presentations from SEC'98: Security in Information Systems, ICCHP '98; 6th International Conference on Computers Helping People with Special Needs, KnowRight'98; 2nd International Confer-

ence on Intellectual Property Rights, Fundamentals & Foundations of Computer Science: Information Technology & Knowledge Systems, Teleteaching'98: Distance Learning, Telecooperation. For further information contact: Österreichische Computer Gesellschaft (Austrian Computer Society) Wollzeile 1-3, A-1010 Wien Austria; tel: +43 1 512 02 35; fax: +43 1 512 02 35 9; e-mail: ifp98@ocg.or.at or in Hungary contact: tel. +36 1 13 293 49; fax: +36 1 13 181 40; e-mail: ifip98@neuman.hu

Call for Participation

10th Annual Conference on Innovative Applications of Artificial Intelligence - AAAI'98. This conference will feature successful applications of AI technology; explore issues, methods, and lessons learned in the development and deployment of AI applications; and promote an interchange of ideas between basic and applied AI. Papers will follow two tracks-(1) deployment of application case studies with measurable benefits that include some aspect of AI technology, such as knowledge systems, data mining, vision, natural language, robotics, etc., and (2) emerging applications, technology, and issues, which will attempt to bridge the gap between basic AI research and applied AI. The deadline for submission is March 17, 1998. For further information for paper submission, call 650/328-3123; e-mail atkdd@aaai.org, or visit the web site at <http://www.aaai.org/Conferences/KDD>. Or, send via mail to AAAI (KDD-98) 445 Burgess Dr., Menlo Park, CA 94025. Call for tutorial proposals are to be submitted by February 13, 1998 to Padhraic Smyth (smyth@ics.uci.edu). Call for panel proposals are to be submitted by March 17, 1998 to Willi Kloesgen kloesgen@gmd.de).

1998 ASIS Mid-Year Meeting. Collaboration Across Boundaries: Theories, Strategies & Technology

Papers on topics related to collaboration, including but not limited to the following: technologies that support collaboration; collaborative work, such as case studies, models of collaboration among diverse organizations, and design and management of collaborative vs. individual work processes; collaboration in society; collaboration in education; informa-

tion seeking as a collaborative process; and theories of collaboration. Papers should address one or more of the topics outlined above or related topics. All papers are refereed. Submitted papers must be received by November 15, 1997. Guidelines for submission are available at the ASIS homepage at <http://www.asis.org/midyear98/> or mail to Kris Liberman, Ernest & Young LLP, One Cambridge Center, Cambridge MA 02142; 617/761-4000.

1998 ASIS Annual Meeting. Information Access in the Global Information Economy.

This meeting will examine information access and what it means in a global information economy. The topics that will be examined include the following: producing & delivering information resources; what are the social effects of global information access?; what new structures for information organization and access will emerge?; and how will people access and use information?. Invitations for participation through submission of papers and proposals for panels and technical sessions on topics associated with the general themes outlined above. Submission for papers must be received by December 15, 1997 to Cecilia M. Preston, Preston & Lynch, P.O. Box 8310, Emeryville, CA; 510/547-3207; e-mail: cecilia@well.com. Submit all proposals for panels, technical sessions by December 15, 1997 to Karla Petersen, Cudahy Library, Loyola University of Chicago, 6525 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago, IL 60626; 773/508-2657; fax: 773/508-8691; e-mail: kpeter1@luc.edu.

Notable News

Irene L. Travis, an active ASIS member since 1968, has been selected as the new editor of the *Bulletin of the American Society for Information Science*, effective immediately. She is currently a member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science*. Travis co-authored the paper "The World Bank's Information Management Architecture: A Blueprint for Building Institutional Information Services" at the ISKO'96 Conference at the Library of Congress in Washington D.C.

ASIS SIGs. Special Interest Group/Classification Research (SIG/CR) reports that its homepage has moved. It can now be reached at <http://newarkwww.rutgers.edu/asis.sigcr/>.

Reports & Newsletter Minutes

Classification Research Group held their 308th meeting on Friday 25 April, 1997. Topics of discussion included the treasurer's report, and a draft outline of chemical compounds in BC2.

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May, 1997 for the meeting of the Round Table of Editors of Library Journals. "Towards Electronic Journals" was the general theme of the meeting, with three papers being presented. Prof. H. Chr. Ijoboh presented the article "Changing the Galaxy: on the transformation of a printed library journal to an electronic one" that described the changing of the editorial process and the financial impacts of INSPWL going online. The article by Roger Brisson and Ruth Carter, entitled "Using of the World Wide Web to Complement Print Journals: the experience of Cataloging and Classification Quarterly," focuses on the issue of timeliness and the differences between print and electronic publication. And, the article by Maurice Line, entitled "The Case for Retaining Printed LIS Journals," focuses on whether journals that are produced electronically should also produce a print version. He sites reasons for retaining the printed text and the unreliability of electronic access. The Newsletter of the IFLA Round Table of the Library Journals is published twice a year. Materials to be considered for inclusion in the Newsletter should be sent to Ms. Ludmila Kozlova, Chief of the Department of Foreign Library Science and International Library Relations, Russian State Library, 3 Vozdvizhenka str., 101000 Moscow, Russia. Fax: (7)(095) 200-22-55; e-mail: irgb@glas.npc.org.