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The ISKO India Chapter is pleased to announce the 12th International Conference of ISKO to be held in the city of Mysore, India from 6th to 9th August 2012. Although originally the conference was scheduled to be held in Bangalore, considering the suggestions made by the President of ISKO and members of the ISKO Executive Council and also the invitation extended by the Vice Chancellor of the University of Mysore to host the conference, it was decided to hold the conference in Mysore. The Royal City of Mysore, the seat of the Wodeyar Dynasty, is about 2 Hours drive from Bangalore and is well connected by Road and Rail to Bangalore. It is also located in close proximity to the historic town of Srirangapattana, the capital of Mysore under Tipu Sultan and Hyder Ali. Mysore is also known for its beautiful palace, art gallery, the hill temple and several other places of tourist importance. The game sanctuaries of Bandipur and Nagarhole as also the temple towns of Belur, Halebid, Somanathapur and Sravanabelagola are within easy reach from Mysore. Infosys, the Indian Software giant, has located its international training centre in Mysore.

ISKO 2012 is being organized jointly by the Sarada Ranganathan Endowment for Library Science; and the University of Mysore. The other partners in organizing the event include (to date), the PES Institute of Technology, Bangalore, the University of Madras Department of Library & Information Science, the Society for Information Science (Bangalore); and the Ranganathan Centre for Information Studies, Chennai.

Accommodation

Hotel accommodation for delegates will be arranged at reduced rates in Hotel Regalis (located 1 KM away from the University Campus) on receipt of prior intimation. For delegates requiring cheaper accommodation, arrangements will be made in guesthouses attached to a few institutions close to the venue of the con-

ference or in some other hotels. Please contact Prof. K. S. Raghavan, Organizing Secretary, ISKO 2012 (ksragav@hotmail.com; raghavan@isisbang.ac.in) for any assistance.

Deadline for submission of Extended Abstracts

Considering the suggestion from ISKO President and several potential authors, the deadline for submission of abstracts has been extended. We will now receive submissions up to 31st January 2012. All submissions may please be sent via E-mail as doc/docx/pdf attachments to Dr. K. S. Raghavan, Organizing Secretary, ISKO 2012 (ksragav@hotmail.com; raghavan@isisbang.ac.in)

The Status of submissions as on 6th January 2012

The receipt of proposals for the ISKO 2012 Conference has been very encouraging. As on 6th January 2012, we have received 60 extended abstracts; the distribution of papers by country of origin of author(s) is as below:

Brazil – 18 Papers
East and South East Asia – 5 Papers
Europe – 12 Papers
India – 14
North America – 10 Papers
Middle East – 1 Paper

As of today we have not received any submissions from Africa, Australia, SAARC countries other than India, and U.K. Hopefully the extension of deadline for submission of extended abstracts will encourage our colleagues in these regions to submit papers. We look forward to receiving submissions from these regions.

The process of reviewing the submissions by members of the International Scientific Committee of the

conference has been initiated and the process is expected to be completed by the end of January for all submissions already received. The process of review of papers received up to 31ˢᵗ January will be completed by 21ˢᵗ February and all authors of accepted papers will be intimated and requested to submit full papers in the prescribed format for inclusion in the conference volume (Deadline for receipt of final papers: 15ᵗʰ April 2012).

The Tentative Programme

6ᵗʰ August 2012

Pre-Conference Workshops / Tutorials – 2 workshops have been planned to be held in the pre-lunch session
    HIVE (Resource Person: Prof. Jane Greenberg, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)
    Categories for the Web (name of the Resource Person will be announced later)

3 – 4 PM	Sarada Ranganathan Lectures: Theme: *Metadata Schema Sharing across Communities* – Lecture 1 (Prof. Shigeo Sugimoto, University of Tsukuba, Japan)
4.30 – 6 PM	Conference Inaugural Programme
6.30 – 7.30	Cultural Programme
8 PM	Conference Dinner

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9 – 9.45 AM	Invited Presentation on *Ontology as Boundary Object* by Prof. Mike Shepherd, Dalhousie University, Canada
9.45 AM – 5.30 PM	Parallel technical sessions (2 or 3 parallel sessions are being planned depending on the total number of accepted papers)

5.45 – 6.45 PM	Sarada Ranganathan Lectures: Theme: *Metadata Schema Sharing across Communities* – Lecture 2 (Prof. Shigeo Sugimoto, University of Tsukuba, Japan)

8ᵗʰ August 2012

9 – 9.45 AM	Invited Presentation by Prof. Jane Greenberg, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Title of the lecture will be announced later)
9.45 AM – 4.00 PM	Parallel technical sessions
4 – 5 PM	Sarada Ranganathan Lectures: Theme: *Metadata Schema Sharing across Communities* – Lecture 3 (Prof. Shigeo Sugimoto, University of Tsukuba, Japan)
5.15 – 6.45 PM	ISKO General Assembly

9ᵗʰ August 2012

9 – 9.45 AM	Invited Presentation on Knowledge Organization on the Web: the emergent role of social classification by Prof. Carolyn Watters, Dalhousie University, Canada
9.45 AM – 1 PM	Parallel technical sessions
2 – 3 PM	Closing Ceremony

There will be tea breaks during the pre and post-lunch sessions and lunch break between 1 and 2 PM on all days of the conference