



2009 International Workshop on Web Information Retrieval Support Systems

September 15, 2009 (Milano, Italy)

<http://uxlab.cs.mun.ca/wirss2009/>

Call For Papers

The focus of the 2009 International Workshop on Web Information Retrieval Support Systems is on the aspects of Web information retrieval that consider the specific needs of individuals conducting Web searches. Web Information Retrieval Support Systems (WIRSS) move beyond the traditional focus of automated searching within digital collections, applying intelligent methods and Web-based technologies to assist users in specifying their information needs, evaluating and exploring search results, and managing the information they find.

Fundamentally, WIRSS research supports a change in design philosophy, moving the focus of Web search from the documents being searched to the tasks that people need to perform. We believe this philosophical shift will mark the move towards next-generation Web search systems, and a transition from information retrieval to knowledge retrieval.

The aim of this workshop is to bring together academic and industry researchers to discuss advances in providing intelligent support for the user-centric tasks associated with Web search. Researchers from diverse fields such as information retrieval, artificial intelligence, human-computer interaction, information visualization, Web systems, natural language processing, and agent systems are invited to contribute to this workshop.

Workshop Topics

- interactive query refinement
- search results representations and visualization
- search results exploration
- re-finding information
- search results storage and organization
- document summarization
- personalization
- multi-level and multi-view representations
- Web search user behaviour
- user studies of WIRSS
- knowledge management systems

Workshop Information

The 2009 WIRSS Workshop is being offered as a half-day workshop at the 2009 IEEE/WIC/ACM International Conference on Web Intelligence (WI 2009), September 15-18, 2009 in Milano, Italy. A single registration entitles delegates to attend the workshops and the full conference.

Submissions

All papers for the 2009 WIRSS Workshop are to be submitted through the WI/IAT 2009 Workshop Paper Submission system. The length of accepted papers should not exceed 4 pages in the IEEE-CS format. Extra payment is only available for one additional page.

The details for the submission procedures and the style files for preparing your paper are provided on the Paper Submissions page at the WI 2009 website:

<http://www.wi-iat09.disco.unimib.it/WI09/submission.htm>

All submitted papers will be reviewed by at least two members of the Program Committee on the basis of:

- technical quality
- relevance to WIRSS
- originality and significance of the research
- clarity of the writing

Important Dates

April 30, 2009: Due date for workshop paper submission

June 8, 2009: Notification of paper acceptance

June 30, 2009: Camera-ready of accepted papers

September 15, 2009: 2009 WIRSS Workshop

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