

Announcements

MEETINGS

International Cultural Research Network Congress

EXPLORING CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES

June 28-July 3, 2000

Xi'an, China

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CASOS Summer Institute

Center for Computational Analysis of Social and Organizational Systems Annual Summer Workshop

July 16-24

Carnegie Mellon University

Director: Kathleen M. Carley

Workshop -- July 16-21, 2000

Key Note Dinner -- July 21, 2000

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- Intellective models and statistical analysis
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Additional Information

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Co-sponsored by the International Management and Research Methods Divisions
Academy of Management Annual Meeting
Saturday, August 5, 2000, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sheraton Centre, York (Mezzanine); Toronto

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<http://www.asanet.org/public/ammedia.html>

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Lecture title: Ethnography, History, and the Idea of Classical Indigenous Australian cultures.

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www.arts.uwa.edu.au/anthrop
www/aas2000/welcome.htm

The Congress of the European Association for Behavioural & Cognitive Therapies

**September 26-28 of 2000
Granada, Spain**

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International Society for Luso-hispanic Humor Studies

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Montreal, Canada**

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**Pre-Columbian Society of Washington, DC: Are We Having Fun Yet? Pleasurable
Activities in Ancient America**

September 16, 2000

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Fifth International Rock Art Symposium

**September 18-24, 2000
Tarija, Bolivia**

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Great Basin Anthropological Conference

**October 5-7, 2000
Ogden, Utah**

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www.hass.usu.edu/~gbac 2000

American Anthropological Association

**November 15-19, 2000
San Francisco, California**

Program Chairs: Louise Lamphere, President, and Heléna Ragoné

Theme: "The Public Face of Anthropology in the Millennium."

For more information go to:
<http://www.aaanet.org/mtgs/mtgs.htm>

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Sessions of interest to social networkers:

Social Networks. Noah Friedkin. Graduate School of Education, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106, USA. (805) 893-2840.

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Organizations. Ed Laumann. University of Chicago, 5848 South University Ave, Chicago IL 60637, (805) 893-2840.

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Group Processes. Ed Lawler. Dept. of Organizational Behavior, School of I & LR, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853 USA. (607) 255-0346.

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Quantitative Methodology. Trond Peterson. Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley CA 94720, (510) 642-6423.

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International Congress on Intelligent Systems and Applications (ISA'2000)

December 12-15, 2000
University of Wollongong
Sydney, Australia

The ISA'2000 Congress aims to provide researchers and practitioners from academia and industry with a forum to report on the latest developments in intelligent systems and their applications within the four major areas of computational intelligence, interactive and collaborative computing, industrial systems, and biologically inspired systems. The Congress will also provide a unique opportunity for dialogue and synergy between scientists and engineers from different backgrounds with the common interest in intelligent systems.

The congress consists of the following four Symposia:

1. **Computational intelligence (CI'2000)**
for details see <http://www.icsc.ab.ca/151-info.htm>
2. **Interactive and collaborative computing (ICC'2000)**
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3. **Industrial systems (IS'2000)**
for details see <http://www.icsc.ab.ca/153-info.htm>

4. **Biologically inspired systems (BIS'2000)**

for details see <http://www.icsc.ab.ca/154-info.htm>

Scientific program

ISA'2000 will include invited plenary talks, contributed sessions, invited sessions, workshops and tutorials.

Call for invited sessions

The organization of invited sessions is encouraged. Prospective organizers are requested to send a session proposal (consisting of 4-5 invited papers, the recommended session-chair and co-chair, as well as a short statement describing the title and the purpose of the session) to the respective symposium chair or the congress organizer. Invited sessions should preferably start with a tutorial paper. The registration fee of the session organizer will be waived, if at least 4 authors of invited papers register to the conference.

Poster Presentations

Poster presentations are encouraged for people who wish to receive peer feedback, and practical examples of applied research are particularly welcome. Poster sessions will allow the presentation and discussion of respective papers, which will also be included in the conference proceedings.

Proceedings and Publications

All accepted and invited papers will be included in the congress proceedings. Selected papers will also be included in special issues of some prestigious journals.

Important Dates

- March 31, 2000: Submission deadline
- May 31, 2000: Notification of acceptance
- July 30, 2000: Delivery of full papers
- December 12-15, 2000: ISA'2000 congress

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Granada, Spain**

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**International Society for Luso-hispanic Humor Studies
September 28-30, 2000
Montreal, Canada**

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**Pre-Columbian Society of Washington, DC: Are We Having Fun Yet?
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Great Basin Anthropological Conference

October 5-7, 2000

Ogden, Utah

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Sessions of interest to social networkers:

Social Networks. Noah Friedkin. Graduate School of Education, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106, USA. (805) 893-2840.

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Group Processes. Ed Lawler. Dept. of Organizational Behavior, School of I & LR, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853 USA. (607) 255-0346.

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Quantitative Methodology. Trond Peterson. Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley CA 94720, (510) 642-6423.

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December 12-15, 2000

University of Wollongong

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