



Call for Papers for SCIS 2013

The University of Oslo welcomes you to the fourth Scandinavian Conference on Information Systems! The 4th SCIS will be held between August 11th - 14th August 2013, in conjunction with the 36th Information Systems Research Seminar in Scandinavia (IRIS 36), under the auspices of the IRIS (Information Systems Research in Scandinavia) Association (<http://www.iris-sjis.org>)

Theme: “Digital living”

During the three and a half decades since the IRIS seminar was initiated, our societies, organizations and personal lives have been profoundly affected by Information and communication technologies. ICTs are ubiquitous in our lives – embedded into everyday appliances, constituting core tools for organizational work, and acting as central mediators for our social life, both in the small, personal scale and on a political and societal scale. We now live “digital lives”.

Our keynote presenters illuminate this theme from different angles:

ULRIKE SCHULTZE (Southern Methodist University, USA), known for her research on virtual worlds

TOM IGOE (New York University, USA), artist and professor on physical computing

ERIK FOSSE (Oslo University Hospital, Norway) will illuminate how digital technologies have revolutionized medicine

We want to question what ‘digital living’ implies, both on a personal, group, organizational and societal level. What are the struggles, tensions and results that has emerged as we have gone from “digitizing” our organizations and societies to “living with the digital”? We seek to discuss experiences of “digital living” within a multitude of empirical settings, and analyzed from different theoretical perspectives. How do IS research respond to the fundamental changes this has brought about?

- How do core IS activities such as development and implementation change when most of the population is now “digital natives”?
- How organizations today deal with their increasingly complex systems’ portfolios?

- What are the societal effects of ICT becoming ubiquitous in everyday situations, such as travel, shopping, everyday logistics and community work?
- How do gaming, virtual worlds, social media, and free downloading affect society – education, economy, work life and culture?
- How do people relate to each other when interaction is mediated through social networks?
- What are the effects of ICTs becoming intimately intertwined into daily practices of care for elderly and frail people?
- How can the border between the physical/analogue and digital aspects of our lives be designed and dealt with?
- How can basic human capacities be utilized in interaction and collaboration with digital devices?
- Through which means are accessibility, privacy and individuality of digital lives being regulated, standardised and governed?
- How do “digital living” unfold in resource-constrained contexts, such as urban slums or rural, remote locations?

Scandinavian Conference on Information Systems is open for all kinds of submissions that present innovative contributions to a specified IS research field.

We seek contributions of various types: empirical studies that explore the way we live with ICTs in any domain, and that illuminates challenges, opportunities, problems and/or solution strategies. We also encourage theoretical and methodological reflections on how these phenomena can be studied and conceptualized.

We welcome full-paper submissions that clearly contribute to their specific IS research area. Papers contributing to the conference theme, digital living, will be prioritized.

IMPORTANT DATES

February 1, 2013: Submissions due

March 15, 2013: Editorial decisions sent to authors

April 15, 2013: Submissions of final versions

May 15, 2013: Notification of acceptance for SCIS

June 10, 2013: Camera-ready version

June 20, 2013: Deadline for authors to register to the conference (with early bird fee)

August 11-14, 2013: SCIS/IRIS,

Submission:

Go to <http://www.mn.uio.no/ifi/iris2013> and you will find further instructions.