



2007 SAIS Conference

March 9-10, 2007

Jacksonville, Florida USA

Call for Participation

This year is the 10th anniversary of the Southern Association for Information Systems (SAIS) Conference. SAIS 2007 will be held in Jacksonville, Florida, with the conference hotel situated right on the Jacksonville Beach. The SAIS Conference is an intimate gathering of around one hundred participants, ranging from doctoral students to senior faculty and recognized scholars in the information systems field. Past SAIS conferences have attracted scholars from around the US and around the globe, and we again invite scholars from all regions of the world to help us celebrate our 10th anniversary. SAIS is an official chapter of the Association for Information Systems (AIS).

The SAIS Conference provides an opportunity for close interaction among presenters and attendees. Both completed research and research-in-progress papers from all areas related to information systems are invited for submission. There is a separate track for graduate student submissions. All papers are published in the *Conference Proceedings*. In addition, authors have the option of including their papers in the AIS e-Library.

Jacksonville, a metropolitan center of over one million people, is a friendly and relaxed place – a coastal community of neighborhoods as unique as the people who live in them. One of those communities, right on the beach, is the home of the Sea Turtle Inn, the site of the 2007 Conference. Outdoor activities abound in this region with 68 miles of Atlantic Ocean coastline, 300 miles of river, and every imaginable topography in-between. Jacksonville Beach is also near Amelia Island, St. Augustine, and Ponte Vedra and other intriguing Florida landmarks and provides easy access to water sports, shopping and golf.

Important Dates

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| January 5, 2007 | Submission Deadline for Papers & Panel Presentations |
| January 30, 2007 | Acceptance Notification |
| February 15, 2007 | Deadline for Author Registration & Submission of Final Versions of Accepted Papers |
| March 9-10, 2007 | Conference Dates (See the conference website for on-line program) |

Additional information about Jacksonville and the conference hotel are available at the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce (www.myjaxchamber.com) Web site and the Sea Turtle Inn (www.seaturtle.com) Web site. For more information on the conference itself, please consult the SAIS Web site (www.southernais.org) or contact Meg Murray, SAIS President, at mcmurray@kennesaw.edu or the Conference Chair, Russell Baker, at rbaker1@ju.edu. For information about the paper submission process, please contact the Program Chair, Roland Weistroffer, at hrweistr@vcu.edu.

SAIS 2007 Submission Guidelines

Submissions are accepted for full papers, research-in-progress, workshops, tutorials and panel discussions. In addition, there is a separate category for graduate paper submissions.

All papers must be submitted electronically using the automated review system available from the conference web site (www.southernais.org). **Submissions may not exceed six single-spaced pages** (approximately 2,500 words), including all figures, tables, appendices, and references. Previously published work or work under review elsewhere is not eligible for submission. Instructions for camera-ready copy preparation will be provided later to the contact authors of accepted papers.

Note: To facilitate a blind review, please do not include any author or affiliation identification on any page of the document, in headings, footers, or in properties of the submitted file.

Conference Information

The conference will begin the morning of Friday, March 9th and extend through lunch Saturday, March 10th. Friday's keynote speaker will be Kathy White, Founder and President of Rural Sourcing, Inc., who will share her passion for economic and workforce development especially that driven by technology. Saturday's lunch will include keynote speaker, Dr. Rick Watson, who will present on the topic of open source texts using wikis. A workshop for doctoral students is planned for Saturday afternoon. An anniversary celebration will be held Friday evening.

Hotel Information

The conference hotel will be the Sea Turtle Inn (www.seaturtle.com) on Jacksonville Beach in Jacksonville, Florida. Make sure to mention that you are attending the SAIS 2007 conference to receive the conference rate.

Want to Help?

If you are willing to serve as a reviewer or session chair or would like additional information about the conference, please contact the 2007 Program Chair, Roland Weistroffer, at hrweistr@vcu.edu or the 2007 Conference Chair, Russell Baker, at rbaker1@ju.edu.

Please post and distribute this call for papers to interested colleagues and students