



# 8th International Conference on Global Software Engineering

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## CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

## DOCTORAL SYMPOSIUM on GLOBAL SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Co-located with the [8th IEEE International Conference on Global Software Engineering](#)

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### Goal and Scope

The Doctoral Symposium aims to create a forum for PhD students working on foundations, techniques, methods and tools in the area of global software engineering. It will provide participants with an opportunity to present and to discuss their research with senior researchers of the global software engineering community in a constructive and friendly atmosphere.

The Doctoral Symposium is intended for students who have not yet completed their dissertation research and do not expect to write up their dissertation before the conference. Students should consider participating in the Doctoral Symposium, after having settled on a dissertation topic and having obtained initial research results.

The Doctoral Symposium has the same scope of technical topics as the main ICGSE conference. We are particularly interested in receiving submissions which focus on interdisciplinary GSE research.

### Submissions

To apply for participation at the symposium, you should prepare a submission package consisting of the two parts listed below.

**Part 1:** Research proposal (3 pages in ICGSE format and submitted as a PDF file) submitted by email to the Doctoral Symposium Committee Chairs:

- Your name and contact information (you and your research advisor)
- Title of your research

- Research area and sub-area of your work
- Abstract: brief description of your research proposal indicating the problem addressed and approach taken
- Introduction: description of the research problem and its importance in the field
- Research Objective: description of the research issue/focus
- Related Work: brief survey of background and related work, as well as current solutions/approaches
- Research method: detailed description of proposed methodology
- Results: results achieved so far, if any
- Expected Results: the expected contributions of your research
- Evaluation: description of research evaluation methods and your plan to present evidence of contribution to knowledge in the research community

Students at relatively early stages in their research may have some difficulty addressing all these areas in detail; this is understood.

**Part 2:** Letter of Support (from your research advisor), submitted by email to the Doctoral Symposium Committee Chairs:

The letter must include your name and an assessment of the current status of your thesis research and stage in the doctoral program, as well as an expected date for dissertation submission.

### **Evaluation**

Submissions will be reviewed by symposium chairs and members of the doctoral symposium committee and selected for inclusion in the symposium on the following criteria:

- Quality of the research proposal
- Relevance to conference topics
- Quality of proposal presentation
- Diversity of background, research topic and approach
- Stage of research (students will be selected across a range of research stages)

### **Presentation and publication of research proposal**

- Symposium participants are expected to present their proposal during the symposium, as well as prepare and present a poster about their proposal during the poster session at the conference. The presentation during the doctoral symposium should take approximately 20 minutes. There will be a further 10-15 minutes dedicated to questions and feedback from the committee.

- The proposal will be published in a companion volume. Registration at the conference is required.

### **Poster Preparation Guideline**

Each poster will have a display space approximately 4 feet wide and 5 feet high. The poster is expected to follow the International Standards Organization (ISO) poster size format (A0) in portrait orientation. The dimensions for A0 format are 84cm x 119cm, or approximately 33" x 47". Audiovisual and computing equipment will not be supplied. Power outlets will not be available. During parts of the conference, posters will be displayed in an area where attendees meet during session breaks. You are responsible for putting your poster up and removing it by the deadlines given to you by your Doctoral Chair. Posters will be accompanied by a specially scheduled poster session, where you are required to stand by your poster to be available for discussion. In the past, the inclusion of a packet of the author's business cards or a small mailbox attached to the poster has proved an effective way to communicate with interested people when you are not present.

### **Doctoral Symposium Chairs**

Ban Al-Ani, University of California Irvine, USA (email: balani AT ics.uci.ed)

Sarah Beecham, Lero, University of Limerick, Ireland (email: sarah.beecham AT ul.ie)

### **Doctoral Symposium Committee**

- TBD – the co-chairs will be inviting recognised academics and members of the ICGSE community to join the committee in due course.

### **Important Dates**

Deadline for submission: March 11, 2013

Notification of acceptance: April 29, 2013

Camera ready due: May 31, 2013

Symposium presentation: Aug 26, 2013

### **Student volunteers**

ICGSE 2013 offers a few doctoral students participating in the ICGSE 2013 doctoral symposium a possibility to participate as student volunteers in the ICGSE 2013 conference. The benefits include complimentary registration to the conference and workshop/tutorial day.