



First Announcement

Call for Papers

Fourth International Conference on Webometrics, Informetrics and Scientometrics & Ninth COLLNET Meeting

29 July – 1 August, 2008

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Institute of Library and Information Science
Berlin, Germany

Scope of the Conference

Quantitative aspects of science of science. Collaboration and communication in science and in technology. Science policy. Combination and integration of qualitative and quantitative approaches. Theoretical, methodological and applied aspects.

For example:

- emerging issues in scientometrics, informetrics & webometrics
- science policy and research collaboration
- collaboration & knowledge management
- collaborative bridge between academic research and industry
- techniques & visualization for collaboration studies
- quantitative analysis of S&T innovations
- informetric laws and distributions
- mathematical models of communication and of collaboration
- nature and growth of science and of collaboration in science
- indicators for research evaluation
- psychology of science & technology

Please, note that these examples listed above give a broad outline of the scope of the workshop theme but do not limit it.

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Institute of Library and Information Science

The Berlin university was founded in 1810. Wilhelm von Humboldt's founding concept gave it the title "Mother of all modern universities". In many areas, research at Humboldt-Universität is internationally acclaimed, for example in Mathematics, Medicine, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, History, Cultural and Art Studies, Scandinavian Studies, Economics and Law. Numerous projects have been implemented with the support of the European Union. Berlin university has been home to 29 Nobel Prize winners.

The Institute of Library and Information Science at Humboldt University, founded in 1928, is the only library school at a German university. In addition to bachelor and master courses in library and information science, the Institute offers a distant learning program on the model of an executive MBA. Research areas include core aspects of library and information science with specialties in bibliometrics, electronic publishing, digital libraries, and other areas.

COLLNET and ISSI

COLLNET is a global interdisciplinary research network of scholars who are concerned to study aspects of collaboration in science and in technology. It was established in January 2000 in Berlin with Hildrun Kretschmer as coordinator (<http://www.collnet.de>). ISSI, the International Society for Scientometrics and Informetrics, was founded in Berlin in 1993, with Hildrun Kretschmer as the first president (<http://www.issi-society.info>).

Since 2000, there have been eight COLLNET meetings: the first in Berlin, September 2000, the 2nd in New Delhi, February 2001 and the 3rd in Sydney (in association with the 8th ISSI Conference), July 2001. The 4th COLLNET Meeting took place on August 29th in 2003 in Beijing in conjunction with the 9th International ISSI Conference, the International Workshop on Webometrics, Informetrics and Scientometrics and 5th COLLNET Meeting in Roorkee, India, in March 2004. The 6th COLLNET Meeting took place in association with the 10th ISSI Conference in Stockholm, Sweden, in July 2005 and the International Workshop on Webometrics, Informetrics and Scientometrics and 7th COLLNET Meeting in Nancy, France, in May 2006. The Third International Conference on Webometrics, Informetrics, Scientometrics and Science and Society & Eighth COLLNET Meeting took place in New Delhi, India, in March 2007 (<http://www.collnet-delhi.de>).

Program Chair:

Hildrun Kretschmer, Germany, China

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Frank Havemann, Germany

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Michael Heinz, Germany

Program Committee:

COLLNET Members (www.collnet.de)

Conference Fee:

- 100 Euro
- Accompanying person: 50 Euro.

Registration fees include coffee breaks, lunches, and proceedings.

Important Dates:

Extended Abstract (1-3 pages):

February 18, 2008 (deadline)

Acceptance : March 3, 2008

Full Paper: May 30, 2008 (deadline)
(camera-ready version, maximum ten pages including tables, figures, references)

Abstracts will be peer reviewed by the Programme Committee. The full papers will be published in the proceedings.

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