



Second Announcement
Call for Papers

**Fourth International Conference on
Webometrics, Informetrics and Scientometrics
(WIS)
&
Ninth COLLNET Meeting**

29 July – 1 August, 2008

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

Welcome – Humboldt-University Berlin – July 28, 18:00 p.m.

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.

We have already accepted enough papers to fill the conference program with interesting talks, but posters can still be submitted till May 4, 2008.

WIS conference and COLLNET Meeting are of interest for:

- researchers in the field of science and technology studies
- information scientists and statisticians
- librarians
- science publishers and editors
- science and technology policy makers
- science and technology managers in funding agencies, in universities, and in further institutions

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>).

Honorary Speakers:

Zeyuan Liu (China)

Local Organiser – 5th International Conference on Webometrics, Informetrics and Scientometrics & 10th COLLNET Meeting, Dalian, China, 2009

A. Amudhavalli (India)

Local Organiser – 6th International Conference on Webometrics, Informetrics and Scientometrics & 11th COLLNET Meeting, Chennai, India, 2010

Invited Keynote Speakers:

Donald deB. Beaver (USA)

Liming Liang (China)

Robert Tijssen (The Netherlands, South Africa)

I. K. Ravichandra Rao (India)

Ronald Rousseau (Belgium)

Liwen Vaughan (Canada)

Important Informations

Program Chair:

Hildrun Kretschmer, Germany, China

Program Co-Chair:

Frank Havemann, Germany

Organizing Chair:

Michael Heinz, Germany

Joint Secretary:

Divya Srivastava, India

Program Committee:

COLLNET Members (www.collnet.de)

Conference Fee:

100 Euro (till May 30, 2008)

150 Euro (later)

Accompanying person and students: 50 Euro.

Registration fees include coffee breaks, lunches, and proceedings (on an USB stick).

The registration will soon be open on the forthcoming website:

<http://www.collnet-berlin.de>

Structure of Poster Abstracts:

- a) the author(s) name(s),
- b) all affiliation(s) and complete mailing address and e-mail address of the contact person
- c) title
- d) background of the poster
- e) problem/application,
- f) methodology,
- g) outcome/findings/results,
- h) conclusion,
- i) references.

Poster Abstracts

will be peer reviewed by the Programme Committee.

Important Dates

Abstract for posters (one page):

deadline: May 4, 2008

acceptance: May 16, 2008

Please send your poster abstract

only to Hildrun Kretschmer:

kretschmer dot h at onlinehome dot de

One-page versions of all accepted abstracts of both oral presentations and posters

(to be printed in the Book of Abstracts):

deadline: May 30, 2008

Please send the final version of the accepted abstract for the Book of Abstracts

only to Frank Havemann:

frank dot havemann at ibi dot hu-berlin dot de

Full papers

(to be published in the WIS Proceedings):

deadline: May 30, 2008

Please send your full paper

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Instructions for Authors

The final versions of abstracts (one page each) of accepted *oral presentations and also of posters* will be printed in the Book of Abstracts.

All full papers of accepted *oral presentations and also of posters* sent to us till May 30, 2008 will be published in the WIS Proceedings which will be made available on the Web as an Open Access e-book.

Further details and templates for full papers and for one-page versions of accepted abstracts can

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