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## **Deadlines and Key Dates**

**February 3, 2014** Opening date for paper submissions and workshop

and session proposals

March 18, 2014 Deadline for paper

submissions and workshop

and session proposals

May 7, 2014 Notification of acceptance

May 14, 2014 Final abstracts due for printed Abstract

Proceedings

May 29, 2014 Presenter registration

deadline—papers of unregistered designated presenters will be removed

from the program

June 6, 2014 Tentative program schedule

available

June 10, 2014 Reserved hotel room

availability reduced

June 23, 2014 Conference registration fee

increase

July 20, 2014 PhD Colloquium

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July 21, 2014 Delft Conference Opening!

**August 15, 2014** Deadline for final papers for Web Proceedings



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# Call for Papers



# The 32<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of the System Dynamics Society

Good Governance in a Complex World

Conference Information
Call for Papers, Workshops and Sessions



Delft, Netherlands July 20 – 24, 2014

Hosted by: Delft University of Technology

conference.systemdynamics.org

#### **Overview**

The annual System Dynamics conference brings together people from around the world to share important research and application results and to build the community of those active in the field. For 2014 we return to the Netherlands, this time to Delft University of Technology.

The conference theme is *Good Governance in a Complex World*. Decision making by government, business, and the public is increasingly interdependent. In this conference we aim to address the role of models in governance in the public and private sectors, typically involving a diversity of domains, disciplines, organizations, stakeholders, policies, and goals. Submissions are encouraged on the conference theme and all topics relating to the theory and practical application of system dynamics.

There will be plenary presentations showcasing important work in the field, along with parallel and poster sessions, making available the most current research, applications, and work in progress. There is a full day of skill-building workshops covering a range of topics from basic software use to advanced analysis techniques.

In addition, there will be interest group sessions, student colloquia, the modeling assistance workshop, vendor displays, demonstrations, and more. The conference schedule will provide time for social and professional interaction.



### **Program**

The conference program will consist of invited and contributed sessions and workshops demonstrating the state of the art in the theory and application of system dynamics. We welcome all research and documented consulting activities in system dynamics, including applications of the methodology to solve real world problems, new technical and software developments, and productive integration of complementary methodologies in order to create new solutions.

The conference schedule is organized by thread so as to create coherent sessions for presentation. The tentative list of threads for 2014 is

- Business
- Economics
- Environment
- Health
- Human Behavior
- Information and Knowledge
- Learning and Teaching
- Methodology
- Operations
- Public Policy
- Resources
- Security
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Strategy

#### Who should attend?

**Academics:** Communicate your results and find out about research being conducted around the world.

**Consultants:** Demonstrate the power of system dynamics in client work and see what others are doing.

**Practitioners:** Show what is being done in your organization and learn what is happening elsewhere.

**Students:** *Share your research, get feedback, and discover research directions and collaborators.* 

**Educators:** Let people know what you are doing and see what is being done with students at all levels.

Managers and Policy Makers: Tell others what you see as valuable and discover new directions your organization can move in.

# **Paper Submissions**

Submit papers and supporting materials to: systemdynamics.org/web.portal.

Papers may be submitted from February 3, 2014 to March 18, 2014. They will undergo a double-blind review and must be in sufficient detail for the referees to judge their meaning and value. Submissions must be in English, should be 5-30 pages in length (maximum 2 MB file size), and follow the submission requirements posted on the conference website.

Inclusion of models (maximum 2 MB file size in addition to the paper) and other supporting materials to aid the review process is strongly encouraged and will be a factor in paper evaluation.

The Program Committee, consisting of Thread Chairs working under the oversight of the Program Chairs, will select papers for inclusion in the conference program and determine the form of presentation (though authors may request presentation as a poster at the time of submission). Notifications of acceptance will be sent by May 7, 2014.

Authors retain the copyright to all submitted work and, by submitting, grant permission for inclusion in the conference proceedings. Each paper must have a designated presenter and one individual can be a designated presenter for at most two works. Presenters not registered by May 29, 2014 will have their papers automatically removed from the schedule. All attendees, whether presenting or not, must register for the conference.

# **Workshop Proposals**

Proposals for workshops and tutorials are welcome and can be submitted online from February 3, 2014 to March 18, 2014.

Good work in system dynamics is often relevant to multiple communities. The conference promotes the diffusion of knowledge generally and system dynamics particularly. Work that has been submitted to, accepted for, or already presented at another conference, or accepted but not yet published in a journal, will be considered. An article already published in a journal in English should not be submitted.

# Conference Venue

Delft is a picturesque city in the Netherlands. It is primarily known for its beautiful historic town center with canals, its ancient churches, Delft Blue, and the painter Johannes Vermeer. This city of great charm features many tourist attractions and museums. It also hosts one of the top technical universities in the world, Delft University of Technology, which is the oldest and largest technical university in the Netherlands. Delft sits between The Hague and Rotterdam and is a stone's throw away from both the beach and from Amsterdam, where the Rijksmuseum has recently opened its doors after ten years of rebuilding, renovation, and restoration. Delft is within 45 minutes of the Amsterdam Schiphol International Airport, a major hub with connections worldwide.



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