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## Deadlines and Key Dates

- Nov. 15, 2008 Deadline to propose new threads and/or activities for the Spillover Day.
- Jan. 2, 2009 Opening date for paper submissions and workshop and session proposals.
- Mar. 23, 2009 Paper submission deadline. Workshops and session proposals due.
- May 13, 2009 Notification of acceptance.
- May 20, 2009 Final abstracts due for Printed Abstract Proceedings.
- June 3, 2009 Presenter registration deadline. Papers of unregistered designated presenters will be removed from the program.
- June 12, 2009 Tentative program schedule.
- June 18, 2009 Conference registration fee increase and deadline for hotel reservations.
- July 26, 2009 PhD Colloquium. Policy Council Meeting.
- July 27, 2009 Albuquerque Conference Opening!
- July 31, 2009 Optional Spillover Day. Collaborative meeting of the K-12 community.
- Aug. 19, 2009 Deadline for final papers for Web Proceedings.

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## *The 27th International Conference of the System Dynamics Society*

### *Conference Information Call for Papers, Presentations, Workshops and Sessions*



## **Albuquerque July 26 – 30, 2009**

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**Sandia National Laboratories  
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# Albuquerque 2009

Join us in “The Land of Enchantment” for a unique combination of architecture, scenery, culture and history. Located at the foot of the Sandia Mountains in the Rio Grande Valley, Albuquerque is a bustling melting pot that retains the spirit of the Southwest. It is an attractive and affordable leisure destination with numerous museums, cultural and artistic centers, a zoo, a botanical garden, and an aquarium. The city is crisscrossed with bike paths, sprinkled with golf courses, and surrounded by Native American Pueblos and landmarks of ancient civilization.

## Conference Venue

The conference venue will be the Hotel Albuquerque, a short distance from the airport, nestled in Old Town, at the heart of the city’s historic center. The hotel offers spacious, state-of-the-art conference facilities, in a beautifully decorated and cozy environment. This is an ideal setting for all conference activities, including program sessions, networking and socializing.

For detailed information about the Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town, please visit: <http://hhandr.com/albuquerque.php>



## Program

The 2009 program will emphasize high-impact applications and research on the difficult issues at the leading edges of the field. It will consist of invited and contributed sessions and workshops demonstrating the state of the art in the theory and application of system dynamics. We will also schedule exhibits, model-assistance workshops, panel discussions, special sessions, a student colloquium and the business meetings of the society. There will be time for social and professional interaction in a relaxed, historic setting.

The bulk of the presentations will be based on full papers submitted through the regular process and placed in the existing program threads:

- Business applications
- Complexity/agent-based/nonlinear
- Economic dynamics
- Education
- Energy and resources
- Environment and ecology
- Health
- Information science
- Methodology
- Military applications
- Operations management
- Organizational dynamics
- Psychology/social dynamics
- Public policy
- Qualitative system dynamics
- Security
- Strategy

The conference will be hosted by national laboratories, and we anticipate many first-time participants to attend. We expect a strong interest in the application of system dynamics to major issues such as climate change, infrastructure resilience, emergency preparedness and the challenges of terrorism. We look forward to adding one or more new threads to deal with such issues. *Proposals for new threads are encouraged and are due by Nov. 15, 2008.*

A new feature in 2009 will be the addition of an optional, “spillover” day, on Friday, July 31st. The extra day will be useful for

groups that wish to organize informally. Chapters and interest groups will have a better opportunity to share information in much greater depth than before. The extra day coincides with a collaborative meeting of the K-12 community, so there will be opportunity for sharing of experiences in system dynamics education. *Proposals for activities on the Spillover Day are encouraged and due by Nov. 15, 2008.*

## Submissions

Papers may be submitted from January 2 – March 23, 2009 and must be in sufficient detail for the referees to judge their meaning and value. Submissions must be in English and should be 5-30 pages in length (there is also a maximum 2 MB electronic file size). Work already published in a journal, in English, should not be submitted. Inclusion of models and other supporting materials to enable replication and aid the review process is encouraged in all cases (maximum file size 2 MB in addition to the paper). For more details on paper submissions please see the conference website:

[www.systemdynamics.org/conf2009/index.htm](http://www.systemdynamics.org/conf2009/index.htm)

Each paper must have a designated presenter and one individual can be a designated presenter for at most two works. Due to scheduling demands, designated presenters not registered by June 3, 2009 will have their papers automatically removed from the schedule. All attendees, whether presenting or not, must register for the conference.

All works submitted will be assigned for double blind peer review. The results, with the oversight of the program chairs, will determine whether a work will be accepted, and the presentation format for the work.

Notifications of acceptance will be sent by May 13, 2009. Authors retain the copyright to all submitted work and, by submitting, grant permission for inclusion in the conference proceedings.

Proposals for workshops and tutorials are welcome and should be submitted online via the Society website.

Proposals for plenary or parallel sessions, panel discussions, roundtable sessions and other pre- or post- conference activities are welcome. Proposals should contain a brief description of the session theme, names of organizer(s) and a tentative list of all papers to be included in the session.

## Submission Format

Preliminary and final submissions **must** be received in .pdf format. Other formats will not be accepted.

At the time of submission of each work, please fill out the online form (contact information for all author(s) with a 200-word abstract) **and** upload up to three updateable files. The first will be the body of the work **with no author information** for blind review; the second is the version for the web proceedings with a 200-word abstract and **complete author information**; and the third, any supporting material, including models, submitted as a single file or a .zip archive.

Materials must be submitted online via the Society website [www.systemdynamics.org](http://www.systemdynamics.org). Authors will be asked to complete a short questionnaire about the appropriate program-thread placement and format for their presentation at the time of submission.

## Conference Proceedings

A conference pack will include the program with Printed Abstract Proceedings for all presented papers. The Conference Web Proceedings including final versions of papers will be posted on the Society website *after* the conference. Full works for all presentations will be included in the web proceedings.