

35th Annual Conference on Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology

Layers of Perception

— First Announcement —

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This first announcement invites the submission of proposals for sessions, round tables, and workshops related to quantitative methods and computer applications in archaeological research. The conference will also host a range of general sessions of individually submitted papers. In addition, the organizers welcome poster presentations. Guidelines for the submission of individual papers and poster presentations will be published on June 30, 2006.

Please take a look at www.caaconference.org for more information on CAA and topics covered by conferences in the past.

Session Proposals

Session organizers should provide a session invitation of 200 to 300 words concerning a well-defined theme. A session typically consists of six, but no more than nine presentations and may include a discussion, introductory and closing comments. Session organizers may suggest a list of papers for their session, but will normally not come up with a complete session. All session proposals will be evaluated by the Scientific Committee for their quality. After acceptance, the proposal will be placed on conference web page, inviting additional papers for this session. Session organizers will be responsible for accepting or rejecting papers for their session and for scheduling the order of presentations.

Important Dates

October 31, 2006

Deadline for the submission of session, round table, and workshop proposals

December 31, 2006

Deadline for abstract submission

Round Table Proposals

Round table organizers should provide an invitation of 200 to 300 words introducing the discussion topic. In addition, a round table proposal includes a list of five to eight panel members (names and affiliations) from at least two different countries. As a matter of course, the round table organizer must make sure that the panel members agree to come to the conference and to take part in the round table discussion. A round table organizer is the chairperson and acts as moderator. A time slot of one hour will be allocated to each round table discussion. All round table proposals will be evaluated by the Scientific Committee for their quality.

Local Organizers

- The German Archaeological Institute (Deutsches Archäologisches Institut)
- The Centre of the Ancient World, Free University of Berlin (IZAW Interdisziplinäres Zentrum Alte Welt, FU Berlin)
- The Collection of Classical Antiquities Berlin SMB-SPK (Pergamonmuseum, Staatliche Museen Preußischer Kulturbesitz)
- German Study Group Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology (AG CAA)

Workshop Proposals

Workshop organizers must submit a proposal of 200 to 500 words, describing the objectives of the workshop. A workshop typically consists of a software and/or hardware demonstration in which the audience can actively participate. The proposal must include information on duration (two to six hours), experience level, and requisites of the intended audience as well as the maximum number of participants. Along with the proposal, a list of the presenters (not more than three) and their affiliations is required.

Conference Website: www.caa2007.de — Contact: izaw@zedat.fu-berlin.de



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— Second Announcement and Call for Papers —

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This call invites the submission of abstracts for papers, posters, and demos related to quantitative methods and computer applications in archaeological research. The conference will host a range of topical paper sessions as well as special poster and demo sessions. The organizers especially welcome submissions for poster presentations and demos. Sessions, round tables, and workshops submitted following the First Announcement and accepted by the Scientific Committee will soon be listed on the conference website at www.caa2007.de, along with additional topics that may be covered during the conference.

Abstracts for Papers

Authors are invited to submit abstracts of 250 to 400 words for review by the Scientific Committee. While the abstract should be written as a continuous text, the following questions have to be addressed: What is the aim of the paper? Which methods are used or proposed? What is new? Authors are requested to indicate into which topical session their paper would fit best, or to propose an alternative topic. Both accepted sessions and possible topics will be posted on the website. There are two categories of presentations. Short papers are for progress reports, new ideas, or less developed applications (15 minutes). Long papers are for presentations that require more time in order to summarize adequately a project or position (30 minutes). While authors are requested to propose a category upon submission, the Scientific Committee reserves the right to shift papers submitted for the long category to the short.

Important Dates and Deadlines

- Submission of proposals for sessions, workshops, and round tables: October 31, 2006 (see First Announcement)
- Submission of abstracts for papers, posters, and demos: December 31, 2006
- Notification of acceptance: January 31, 2007

Abstracts for Posters and Demos

Abstracts for posters and demos should follow the guidelines for papers. The Scientific Committee especially welcomes submissions of abstracts for posters and demos. It is planned to hold special poster and demo sessions during which authors will be required to be present to answer questions. If possible, no paper sessions will be held parallel to a poster or demo session to enable a large attendance. Guidelines for poster size will be available on the conference website. Demos may include presentations noncommercial software, hardware, VR projects, websites etc. Authors are requested to clearly indicate upon submission which equipment they plan to use for their demo.

Submission Procedure

Abstracts should be submitted through the conference website or by sending them to the contact address given below until December 31, 2006. Each submission will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee, which will decide to accept, reject, or offer a conditional acceptance with request for revisions. The Committee will furthermore define new topical sessions accomodate papers that do not fit into any accepted session. Notifications of acceptance will be sent out by January 31, 2007.

Submission Checklist

- Name of author(s), e-mail, institutional affiliation
- Title of paper / poster / demo
- Abstract (250 400 words)
- 3 to 5 meaningful keywords
- For papers: Proposed session or topic, and category (long / short)
- For demos: Technical equipment to be used

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