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## TOPICS

Relevant topics for the ECDL 2009 include, but are not limited to:

- Digital Library Architectures: Grids
- Formal Issues in Digital Libraries
- Conceptual Views of Digital Libraries
- User Interfaces
- Strategic Infrastructures
- Metadata Schemas
- Semi Structured Data
- Interoperability & Data Integration
- Digital Curation
- Digital Archiving and Preservation
- Collection Development & Management and Policies
- Legal Issues
- Semantic Web Issues in Digital Libraries
- Information Retrieval
- Multilingual Information Retrieval
- Multimedia Information Retrieval
- Personalization in Digital Libraries
- Ontologies and Knowledge Organization Systems
- Social Networking & Web 2.0 Technologies
- User Studies & Digital Library Evaluation
- Log Data in Digital Libraries

## SPECIAL TRACKS

ECDL 2009 intends to host in its program four plenary specially recognized tracks, each corresponding to a main topic: Infrastructures, Content, Services, and Foundations. For each track, two renamed scientists, from different continents, will serve as Chairs who will invite a group of 6 to 8 members of the general Program Committee to formulate the Special Track Program Committees. Special Tracks papers will be submitted normally through the conference management system.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Full Papers, Short Papers, Posters and Demonstrations

Submission deadline: March 21, 2009  
 Acceptance notifications: May 11, 2009  
 Camera ready versions: May 31, 2009

### Doctoral Consortium

Submission deadline: June 1, 2009  
 Acceptance notifications: June 30, 2009

### Workshops, Tutorials and Panels

Submission deadline: February 27, 2009  
 Acceptance notification: April 15, 2009

## FORMAT

All full papers (12 pages), short papers (8 pages), posters and demonstrations (4 pages) should conform to the formatting instructions of Lecture Notes in Computer Science proceedings series, as published by Springer-Verlag.

## AIM AND SCOPE

Close to the turn of the first decade of the third millennium, digital libraries are facing critical challenges that lead to major transformations. The expansion of social networking applications is an important development, which has led to the creation of new user communities and the cohesion of already existing ones. Although user communities have been under the research lens of the digital library community, they never had higher interest than nowadays. User communities have abandoned pathetic participation in information environments and have developed an active behavior expressed in a multitude of ways.

In the same time, after a decade of solidification the issue of metadata re-emerges to address the new challenges. Annotations and tagging has been an edge-leading theme for digital libraries, which now can be viewed under a different perspective. The implication of user communities in various aspects of information management stages, such as creation of new information, enrichment of information artifacts, sharing and distribution of information objects, filtering of relevant items and so on, require a thorough examination of the metadata issues and services that augment all these activities.

In this intense environment the European Conference on Digital Libraries 2009, under the general title "Digital Societies", invites submissions for the proliferation of scientific and research osmosis in the following categories: Full Papers, Short Papers, Posters and Demonstrations, Workshops and Tutorials, Panels and Doctoral Consortium. All submissions will be reviewed on the basis of relevance, originality, importance and clarity in a triple peer review process.

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