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Early Career Symposium at FOIS 2018

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Important dates

June 4, 2018: Submission deadline
June 21, 2018: Notification of acceptance
June 28, 2018: Submission of camera-ready version

See [website](#) for further information.

Scope

The international conference [Formal Ontology in Information Systems \(FOIS\)](#) is one of the leading conferences in ontology engineering. FOIS aims to promote interdisciplinary research and international collaboration at the intersection of philosophical ontology, linguistics, logic, cognitive science, and computer science, as well as in the applications of ontological analysis to conceptual modeling, knowledge engineering, knowledge management, information-systems development, library and information science, scientific research, and semantic technologies in general.

The FOIS 2018 conference, to be held in Cape Town, South Africa, September 17-21, 2018, will host an [Early Career Symposium \(ECS\)](#). This event is designed to provide an opportunity for graduate students to present their work at one of the leading conferences in formal ontology and to get first-hand feedback and mentorship from senior researchers in their field. It will also allow participants to network with other (early career) scientists in the broad field of ontology, as well as to participate in a rich social environment together with peers. Topics of interest include all topics relevant to the interdisciplinary field of ontology as outlined in the [topics of interest](#) for FOIS 2018.

Format

The ECS will be held as a poster session within the main FOIS conference. The poster session will be opened by a lightning talks session, during which each participant has the opportunity to advertise his/her work in a 5 minutes speech in front of the general audience of the conference. Each participant will be assigned a senior researcher as mentor, who will provide substantial feedback to his/her work.

Moreover, a PhD Lounge will allow early career scientists to meet and discuss their work with each other, their mentors and other senior researchers.

Application Instructions

The ECS is open to students at the Masters and Doctoral Level that have not defended their thesis before the ECS Submission deadline.

Candidates must submit a short description of their research project and an up-to-date CV (as one pdf-file). Submissions will be reviewed by selected members of the FOIS Program Committee. Final submission is via EasyChair (see [submission instructions](#)).

Template for submission. The template is meant to be used as general reference to organize the description of the submitted research project in different sections with specific contents. Latex can be also used. Make sure that the submission is in pdf format and includes both the description and the CV.

The abstracts (400 words), included in the project description, will be published as part of the FOIS proceedings (published by CEUR).

A limited number of scholarships will be available to support students participation. Further information will be soon available on the [website](#).

Contact

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