

Publication policy: instructions for authors

All proposals for papers must be submitted in the form of a detailed abstract and must follow the guidelines (see paragraph 4 - rules for abstracts):

- Authors may bring the final version of their paper (25 pages maximum, RTF format, double-spaced) with them to the conference. The complete text of the presentation must be submitted no later than opening day, October 14, 2007.
- The scientific committee undertakes to publish online on the GEIRSO Web site all abstracts and articles it receives that meet academic standards. The committee reserves the right to select some of the papers for a subsequent major publication; the authors will be contacted and informed of publication standards.
- The official languages of the conference are French and English.

Format and conference organization:

Papers may be submitted in the following forms:

- **Free papers:** Papers will be presented orally in theme workshops organized by the conference scientific committee and chaired by a moderator.
- **Theme symposia:** The researcher in charge of each symposium is responsible for submitting to the scientific committee a selection of abstracts of papers that relate coherently to the symposium theme and for providing a summary introduction setting out how they are linked.
- **Posters:** Papers in poster form will be exhibited and displayed throughout the conference.

Selection criteria:

All proposed papers are to be submitted committee for approval.

Selection will be guided by the following criteria:

- Relevance of the paper to conference themes;
- Originality and scientific relevance of the subject.

Rules for abstracts:

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1. Enter the title of the paper on the first line in capital letters, centred.
2. Indicate which of the conference themes the paper relates to. (See themes above.)
3. Enter the name of the author or authors, their institution or institutions, and indicate whether the paper is a contribution to the symposium or an individual presentation.

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4. Abstracts must be 250 to 300 words in length (approximately 2000 characters and spaces), single spaced, justified, with 3-cm left-and-right-hand margins, on US letter-size paper (8.5 x 11). Abstracts must be in Word for PC format. (For each symposium, the researcher in charge is responsible for presenting the abstracts for the introduction and for the contributions of all the participants.)
5. Papers must be well structured, provide enough information in terms of the nature of the work to be clearly understood, and include, for example, the following sections: introduction, theme, methodology, results, conclusions, and discussion.
6. The following information must be included at the end of the abstract: keywords, participating institutions, complete name of the author or authors, each author's mailing and email address. The name of the principal author must be clearly stated.

Important dates:

Deadline for papers, symposium contributions and posters by email at geirso@uqam.ca

Deadline to submit abstracts: **May 18, 2007**

Deadline to receive confirmations of attendance: **June 15, 2007**

Deadline for registration at early-bird rate: **June 1, 2007**

All presenters must be duly registered for the Conference. Online registration will be available as of February 2007.