The ESWC is the leading European Conference on Theory, Practice and Applications of Semantic Web Technologies, constantly attracting a high number of high quality submissions participants from academia and industry.

Besides the main technical program, ESWC will host workshops on topics related to the Conference theme. Workshops promote scientific exchange amongst researchers interested in a particular topic and act as a meeting point for the community. The workshops should provide the opportunity to present and discuss ongoing work and new ideas in subfield of Semantic Web research.

Of particular interest are workshop proposals with an interdisciplinary standpoint, proposals focusing on a specific technology of general interest, or gathering a sub-community.

## **General Information and criteria**

- Co-located workshops cover topics falling in the general scope of the ESWC conference (refer to http://www.eswc2009.org/)

- They are clearly focused.
- There is potentially a significant community interested in the workshop's topic.Workshop duration can be half a day or a full day.

- We advise having more than one organizer and no more than four, preferably from different institutions, bringing different perspectives to the workshop topic.

- Workshops are intended to be genuine interactive events and not mini-conferences. We welcome workshops with creative structures and organizations that attract various types of contributions and ensure rich interactions.

## Responsibilities

- The organizers of accepted workshops will be responsible for their own paper selection process, publicity (i.e., website and call for paper), program design and proceedings production. They will be required to closely cooperate with the Workshops Chairs and the ESWC2009 local organizers to finalize all organizational details.

- The ESWC organizers will be responsible for registration management, proceeding

distribution, publishing workshop information on the ESWC web site, and room reservation.

- The workshop attendees must pay the ESWC2009 workshop registration fee, as well as the conference registration fee.

Important Dates (11:59 pm Hawaii time)

Workshop Proposal Due: November, 22, 2008

Notification of Acceptance: December 8, 2008

Workshop Website Due: January, 8, 2009

Workshop Proceedings camera-ready Due: May 1, 2009

Workshop Day: May 31 or June 1, 2009

**Timeline in Workshops:** 

Deadlines: March 7, 2009

Notification: April 4, 2009

Camera ready: April 18: 2009

**Submission Guidelines** 

Workshop proposals should be no more than 5 pages in length, should be in text or PDF format and should contain the following information:

- The title and brief technical description of the workshop, specifying its goals and motivation.

- A brief discussion of why the topic is of particular interest at this time.

- A brief description of why and to whom the workshop is of interest, the workshop audience, as well as the expected number of participants.

- A brief description (draft outline) of the proposed workshop format, discussing the mix of events such as paper presentations, invited talks, panels, and general discussion.

- A list of (potential) members of the program committee (at least 50% have to be known and confirmed at the time of the proposal).

- An indication of whether the workshop should be considered for a half-day or full-day meeting.

- If there have been previous editions of the workshop, their short description, including URLs as well as some statistics about submissions and acceptance rate.

- The names and contact information (web page, email address) of the proposed organizing committee and short description of their relevant experience.

Submission of Workshops

## Workshop Chairs

Jerome Euzenat, INRIA Rhone-Alpes, FR

Valentina Presutti, STLab ISTC-CNR, IT