Call for Proposals:
WICSA 2011 Birds-of-a-Feather Sessions

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The 9th Working IEEE/IFIP Conference on Software Architecture (WICSA 2011) is the premier gathering of practitioners and researchers interested in the state of the art and the state of practice of software architecture. Since its inception, WICSA has functioned as a working conference, where researchers meet practitioners and where practicing software architects can present challenges that they face in their day-to-day work and so influence the future of the field.

This year's theme, **Architecture across boundaries**, explores the relations between software, system and enterprise architecture in cyberspace. WICSA 2011 is co-located with CompArch: the federated events on component-based software engineering and software architecture—offering further opportunities for collaboration and coordination.

The WICSA program co-chairs seek proposals for Birds-of-a-Feather sessions (BoFs) to be held as part of the main conference.

BoFs are short, informal sessions proposed by WICSA attendees focusing on any topic related to the conference theme, **Architecture across boundaries**. Attendees wishing to get together with others who share their interests, goals, technologies, environments, or backgrounds are invited to organize and attend a BoF. BoFs can be proposed and advertised before the conference or convened at the conference when the need for one is recognized. BoFs can be used to continue a discussion that began in another session, for a group to get together to pursue a common interest or just to discuss a range of opinions around a topic. BoFs provide a platform for bringing together researchers, practitioners, and academia to present and discuss ideas, challenges, and potential solutions.

Submissions

Proposals for Birds-of-a-Feather sessions should be sent via email to the program co-chairs:

Patricia Lago and Rich Hilliard <program-chairs@wicsa.net>

Please put ''WICSA BOF'' in the subject line. Proposals should include the name(s) of the organizer(s), a title, abstract or brief description and expected audience. Please limit submissions to one page (preferably in PDF or plain text).

Submitters should plan to use the WICSA wiki to announce the BoF session, to provide any read-ahead materials for participants, for note-taking during the session and to document outcomes thereafter.

Accepted proposals will be advertised on the conference website and WICSA social media channels.

Dates

There is no deadline for BoF proposals. The program co-chairs will entertain proposals on a continuous basis until the opening of the conference, as space and schedule permits. The co-chairs will begin evaluating proposals for BoFs on **28 March 2011**.

BoFs will be scheduled during the main WICSA conference.

For more information: http://www.wicsa.net/