



PRELIMINARY CALL FOR PAPERS
16th EURAS Annual Standardization Conference
– Standards for Development –

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The critical role of standards and standardization for economic and societal development has been recognized at least since industrialization. As codified knowledge, standards acquire an even greater role in the development of the global knowledge economy. While the developed countries have long been leading players on the international standardization arena, developing and many transition countries remain largely passive and reap far less benefits than they could.

The 16th EURAS conference is soliciting original and innovative submissions focusing on the significance of standards and standardization for development. We are inviting theoretical and empirical papers that will contribute to greater awareness of how and where standards can create potential for progress in developing and transition countries. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Standards for regional development
- Standardization infrastructure development in transition countries
- Standards, globalization and national authenticity
- Conformity assessment for development
- The relation between standards and the development of science / technology / society / economy
- Developing countries and standardization
- Standardization, globalisation and innovation
- Participatory issues in standardization
- Education on / in standardization and development
- Standards and technology transfer
- History and future of standards
- Legal and regulatory issues in standardization
- Corporate standards and strategies
- Markets and dominant technologies
- Research and standardization
- Economics of standardization
- Standardization policies
- Management of standards
- Standards setting and implementation processes

Full papers (up to 40 double-spaced pages; pdf, rtf, or .doc format) should be submitted to Kai Jakobs at Kai.Jakobs@cs.rwth-aachen.de.

Authors of accepted papers are expected to serve as discussants upon request. All papers will be reviewed (double blind) by members of the Programme Committee. All accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings, as part of the 'EURAS Contributions to Standardisation Research' book series. Particularly good and relevant papers will be fast-tracked to the review process of either the EURAS-Yearbook, the Int. Journal of IT Standards and Standardization Research (JITSR), or the Journal of Technological And Economic Development Of Economy (Taylor & Francis). For more detailed information, please consult the EURAS website (www.EURAS.org).

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Deadlines

Paper submission: 28 Feb 2011
Notification: 21 March 2011
Final paper due: 17 April 2011

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Conference Venue

Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas.

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- about Kaunas: <http://visit.kaunas.lt/W3/titulinis?lang=en>

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