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International Conference on Information Resources Management (Conf-IRM) 2026 Tallinn, Estonia May 25-27, 2026

Call for Papers

Conference Theme: Responsible Digital Futures

This conference brings together researchers, educators, and practitioners in information systems to explore pathways toward responsible digital futures. In an era shaped by AI, datafication, and growing societal and environmental pressures, demands for accountability, transparency, and ethical digital technology deployment are intensifying. The theme emphasizes critical and forward-thinking perspectives. With a developmental and interdisciplinary focus, the conference aims to foster dialogue that bridges theory and practice, global and regional insights, and technological advancement with human values.

Tallinn, Estonia offers the perfect setting to explore Responsible Digital Futures. As a world leader in e-governance, cybersecurity, and citizen-centric digital services, Estonia exemplifies both the promise and the complexity of life in a hyper-digital society. From pioneering digital identity systems to responding effectively to cyber threats, Tallinn provides a real-world backdrop for global dialogue on ethical, secure, and inclusive digital transformation.

Important Dates

Submission deadline: **January 11, 2026**

Notification of submission decision: **March 15, 2026**

Final submission due date for accepted papers: **March 25, 2026**

Early registration deadline: **April 12, 2026**

The organizing committee invites you to submit your research work (**full papers and research-in-progress**), **teaching cases, and proposals for panels and tutorials** to Conf-IRM 2026. All conference submissions will be double-blind peer-reviewed, and handled by the track and programme co-chairs.

Submission Types and Guidelines

Full Length Submissions

Submissions must be no more than 12 pages, including references, appendices, and a title page. Submissions must follow the submission template specifications. Submissions must be original, previously unpublished, conceptual, or empirical research manuscripts. The paper that best represents, in terms of quality and suitability, the theme and ideals of the conference will be awarded the "Best Paper Award" during the conference.

Research-in-Progress Submissions

Submissions must be no more than 7 pages. Submissions must follow the submission template specifications.

Teaching Cases

We welcome submissions of teaching cases. The cases should be based on real situations and targeted at specific learning objectives. Cases should be no more than 12 pages and must be accompanied by instructor teaching notes (not included in the 12 pages). The teaching notes will not be published.

Workshop, Panel and Tutorial Submissions

Workshop, Panel, and Tutorial Submissions must be no more than 3 pages. Proposals should include the objectives, topics to be covered, and the full details of all presenters. The method of presentation is at the submitter's discretion; however, the submitter is responsible for providing their panel members.

Tracks and Track Co-Chairs

Track 1: Conference Theme: Responsible Digital Futures

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Track 8: Human-AI Interaction and Anthropomorphism

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Track 9: Regional, Cultural, and Cross-Cultural Research in Information Systems

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Track 11: Workshops, Tutorials, and Panels

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Track 12: Doctoral Consortium (a separate Call with the same deadlines has been announced)

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We look forward to seeing you in Tallinn in May 2026!