

IST-Africa 2014

Call for Papers

Mauritius

06 - 09 May 2014

Thematic Priorities

- Content Technologies: Language, Learning, Digital Preservation
- eHealth, mHealth & Health Information Systems
- eGovernment – Services to Citizens & Business
- eInfrastructures, NRENs and IPv6
- Future Internet: Cyber Security, Privacy and Trust, Connected Enterprise
- ICT for Agriculture and Environmental Sustainability
- ICT Skills and ICT for eInclusion and eAccessibility
- ICT Regulatory Frameworks
- Living Labs (Adaptation for Developing Countries)
- Mobile Applications (including mServices, mEducation, Social Networking)
- Next Generation Computing: Big Data, Cloud Computing, Data Localisation
- Open Source Software - Applications
- Transformation of Research Results into Local Innovation
- Societal Implications of Technology

Deadlines

- Online Submission Deadline: **16 December 2013**
- Provisional Acceptance: **10 February 2014**
- Submission of Final Paper: **28 February 2014**
- Presenter Registration: **10 March 2014**

IST-Africa Week 2014 will include the 4th Annual IST-Africa Living Lab Thematic Working Group Meeting on 06 May

Submission of Papers

- Paper Focus – Public or Private Sector Case Studies, Technical or Visionary
- Papers must highlight Actual or Expected Impact, as well as Level of Innovation
- Papers must present either a Case Study, or Analysis of Initial or Final Research Results
- All Papers must be 4,000 - 5,000 words in length & use the **IST-Africa** Paper Template

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- International Innovation, Research and Policy Cooperation
- Knowledge Sharing and Skills Transfer between IST-Africa Partners
- Collaborative Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Adoption of Living Labs
- Africa - EU Strategic Partnership (Information Society, ICT, Innovation)

Conference Profile

IST-Africa 2014 is the ninth in an annual series of Ministerial Level Technology Research Conferences that bring together senior representatives from leading public, private, education and research institutions around the world to share knowledge and experience related to Information Society, ICT and Innovation related Adoption, Policy and Research. Recent Conferences have brought together over 500 participants from 51 countries.

The **IST-Africa Conference Series** provides a platform to strengthen Information Society, ICT and Innovation related policy dialogues within Africa and between Africa and Europe through Plenary Sessions, rich thematic knowledge exchange through the Scientific Programme and co-located multi-lateral and bi-lateral meetings.

Its reputation is based on high quality discussion, papers, presentations and interactive workshops showcasing innovative ICT and Information Society related applications and research results.

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IST-Africa 2014 will showcase Information Society, ICT and Innovation related policy contributions, research and implementation project results from Africa and Europe (including FP7), and focus on Research Cooperation Opportunities for African organisations under Horizon 2020.

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The **IST-Africa Conference Series** is self-funding through public and private sector support and registrations. As a **Supporting Organisation**, you facilitate additional delegate services as well as scholarships for deserving African participants. Register your interest by contacting the Conference Secretariat: Secretariat@IST-Africa.org

Publishing Schedule

- Draft Final Paper and Workshop Proposals submitted online by **16 December 2013**
- Provisional Acceptance of Draft Final Papers with IPC feedback provided on **10 February 2014**
- Final Papers to be submitted online by **28 February 2014** for editorial review & quality check
- Accepted Presenters must register and pay the Presenter Fee by **10 March 2014**
- The Conference Proceedings will be published on CD-Rom with an ISBN Number
- Final papers accepted in the Proceedings (following updates as a result of blind peer review) will also be submitted for publication in IEEE Xplore

International Programme Committee

A distinguished International Programme Committee (IPC) has been formed by Paul Cunningham, the **IST-Africa** Conference Chair. The **IST-Africa 2014** IPC will evaluate and provide actionable feedback to help authors improve their final draft papers, strengthen the impact of their final presentations, and chair sessions.

Conference Portal

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