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ICSSP 2019 Doctoral Track—Call for Submissions

The International Conference on Software and Systems Process (ICSSP 2019) invites submissions for consideration for inclusion in the ICSSP 2019 Doctoral Track which will be hosted as an integral part of the main ICSSP 2019 programme. Successful submissions will present to the main ICSSP 2019 audience and as such offers an excellent opportunity for current Ph.D. candidates to present their work and elicit feedback from the ICSSP community, which is comprised of some of the leading figures in the software and systems process domain.

The goal of the ICSSP community in hosting the Doctoral Track is driven by a keen appreciation of the importance of Doctoral studies and the many benefits that expert community-led constructive feedback can deliver in terms of enhancing Doctoral work, while also supporting leading researchers of the future. Thus, the Track offers a rare opportunity to obtain valuable expert feedback and to get in touch with peer students in the same field of interest. The event is designed with 2nd/3rd year PhD candidates in mind, and particularly where initial results are not yet mature enough for a full conference paper and the work going forward may benefit from feedback from the ICSSP community. The ICSSP Doctoral Track should address topics of interest to ICSSP 2019 and also more generally, all research areas that are in scope of the ICSSP conference series. Successful submissions will be published in the main conference proceedings.

Doctoral Track papers shall present research progress to date, current work-in-progress and plan to completion. Please note that the sole author on the submission must be the doctoral candidate and that advisor(s) should be noted immediately below the author details. Submissions should address the following concerns:

- *Motivation*: describe the problem that you want to address and briefly summarize existing approaches along with their deficiencies.

- *Objectives*: outline the key objectives of your PhD research and argue how achieving them will address the problem outlined in the motivation.

- *Methodology*: identify what methodology you will adopt to meet the objectives of your project. Clearly state on what existing works your work will build.

- *Research challenges*: outline the technical, methodological, conceptual, or other hurdles faced in completing the research.

- *Research Plan*: describe what preliminary results – if any – you have already achieved and summarize your plans for future work. Please add a rough schedule that allows to judge whether your research plan is feasible.

Authors of selected submissions will be required to produce and present a Poster to reflect their ICSSP 2019 Doctoral Track paper, which will be displayed alongside the main ICSE 2019 Posters. Details on poster formats will be provided in due course.

Note that student **submissions must be supported by a letter of recommendation from their advisor(s)** – further details concerning which are available in the main call available from the ICSSP 2019 website.

Submissions will be evaluated based on their relevance, the motivation and quality of the proposed research, as well as the suitability of the chosen methodology. The potential for students to benefit from participation in the Track may also be considered in making the final selection of accepted papers.

Important Dates:

Full papers and letters due **11 Feb 2019**;   *author notification* **1 Mar 2019**;   *camera ready due* **15 Mar 2019**

For full details of the submission process and additional information about ICSSP 2019 go to:
2019.icse-conferences.org/track/icssp-2019-papers

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