CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

SyrCOM-99: Third International Forum on Syriac Computing In association with SYRIAC SYMPOSIUM III June 18 or 19, 1999

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- [1] The first forum in this series was held (in association with Syriac Symposium II) in 1995 at the Catholic University of America, Washington D.C. The second forum was held (in association with VIIum SYMPOSIUM SYRIACUM) in 1996 at Uppsala University, Sweden. SyrCOM-99 will be held in association with SYRIAC SYMPOSIUM III at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana.
- The aim of this series of forums is two-fold: firstly, to give academics and professionals who work on computational projects related to Syriac studies an opportunity to meet and share their work and experience; secondly, to provide scholars and computer users with presentations and talks which may be of help in practical applications such as word processing, fonts and other user-related software.
- [3] Selected papers will be published (using high quality photocopying) and distributed during the conference. Papers on all aspects of Syriac computing are welcomed, including, but not limited to:
 - databases (lexical, bibliographical, catalogues, etc.)
 - word processing / fonts
 - desktop publishing
 - concordance generation
 - text alignment
 - critical editions
 - computational linguistics
 - art/images and graphics
 - computer aided learning/teaching
 - reviews of software and systems

[4] Deadlines and Dates:

January 2, 1999: Submission of abstract.

January 15: Notification of acceptance for presentation.

February 1: Submission of full paper for review.

April 1: Notification of acceptance for publication.

May 1: Submission of final paper in camera-ready form.

Two-page abstract must be submitted (preferably by email) by January 2, 1999. (However, it is appreciated if contributors send abstracts at their earliest convenience). Notification of acceptance for presentation will be sent by January 15.

Five (5) copies of the paper must be submitted in hard-copy (i.e., on paper) form for reviewing purposes by February 1. Notification of acceptance for publication will be sent in April 1. Camera-ready-copy of accepted papers, incorporating reviewers' comments and guidelines, must be submitted no later than May 1 for publication.

All submissions should be sent to Dr. Kiraz (address below). Contributors who find meeting a specific deadline difficult for special circumstances must contact Dr. Kiraz well in advance.

[7] Reviewing Committee:

Dr. Gary Anderson, Harvard University.

Dr. James Coakley, Harvard University.

Dr. George A. Kiraz, Bell-Labs, Lucent Technologies.

Dr. Bonnie G. Stalls, ISI, University of Southern California.

[8] Registration:

SyrCOM-99 is part of Syriac Symposium III. All matters regarding registration will be made available later on. For all matters regarding SyrCOM-99, please contact (preferably by e-mail):

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