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## CALL FOR PAPERS

21st Iberoamerican Conference on Software Engineering (CibSE 2018)

Bogotá, Colombia, April 23 - 27, 2018

<http://cibseconference.org>

CibSE is the leading research forum on Software Engineering (SE) in Ibero-America. The main objective of this conference is to promote high-quality scientific research in Ibero-American countries, thus supporting the researchers in this community in publishing and discussing their work. In addition, the conference fosters collaboration and cross-fertilization among software academics, students, and industry.

CibSE 2018 will be held at the Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá, one of the most vibrant cities in South America and beating heart of Colombia. The event will include various tracks, industry exhibition, keynote speeches by influential researchers of the SE community, and social events.

The conference will be held in conjunction with two satellite events: the Doctoral Symposium and the first version of the Ibero-American School on Software Engineering. The Doctoral Symposium is organized to discuss work in progress in Software Engineering during the PhD program. The school will be led by renowned lecturers, offering an attractive program, combining lectures and tutorials based on the current trends of Software Engineering.

We invite you to submit papers to one or more of our Foundations tracks:

- SET - Software Engineering Track
- WER - Requirements Engineering Track
- ESELAW - Experimental Software Engineering Track

Papers can be submitted in any of the three available categories (i.e., Technical, **(NEW!)** Emerging ideas, and **(NEW!)** Tools) and the CibSE official languages: English, Spanish, and Portuguese. Below, you will find the details of each track and the general organization committee.

For more information go to CibSE 2018 website (<http://cibseconference.org>), or contact us through e-mail ([info.cibse@gmail.com](mailto:info.cibse@gmail.com)) or any of our social media outlets (Twitter - @CibseConf and Facebook).

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## FOUNDATIONS TRACKS

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We invite authors to submit high quality research papers describing significant, original, and unpublished results in any of the following tracks and categories:

### Tracks

- SET - Software Engineering Track
- WER - Requirements Engineering Track

- ESELAW - Experimental Software Engineering Track

## Categories

1. **Technical Papers** (not exceeding 14 pages): Technical papers should describe innovative research in the topics of the Foundations tracks. Papers in this submission category should describe a novel contribution to the topics and should carefully support claims of novelty with citations to the relevant literature.

Evaluation criteria: Technical papers are evaluated on the basis of originality, soundness, relevance, importance of contribution, strength of validation, quality of presentation and appropriate comparison to related work. Where a submission builds upon previous work of the author(s), the novelty of the new contribution must be described clearly with respect to the previous work. Technical papers need to discuss clearly how the results were validated.

2. **(NEW!) Emerging Ideas Papers** (not exceeding 8 pages): Emerging ideas papers describe new, non-conventional approaches on the topics of the Foundations tracks, that depart from standard practice. They are intended to describe well-defined research ideas that are at an early stage of investigation.

Evaluation criteria: Emerging ideas papers will be assessed primarily on their level of originality and potential for impact on the field in terms of promoting innovative thinking. Hence, inadequacies in the state-of-the-art and the pertinence, correctness, and impact of the idea must be described clearly. While the idea that is described does not need to be fully validated, a presentation of preliminary results that provide initial insights into the feasibility and/or impact of the idea is expected. In case of paper acceptance, authors have to prepare a poster from the paper and present it in the Poster Session. The Poster Session separates itself from the Technical Papers' Sessions by allowing authors the ability to get immediate, personal feedback from conference attendees during the session as they present their work. Posters also provide conference attendees an opportunity to see new work in the field in a more relaxed setting.

**(NEW!) Tools Papers** (not exceeding 8 pages): These papers should describe tools that complement research papers from two different perspectives: (i) The tool has been used previously as part of a support pipeline (e.g., to collect data, evaluate results, etc.); (ii) The tool implements a previously proposed technique/approach. The submissions must fall under the topics of the Foundations tracks and include a short video (Max. 5 minutes) describing the main features of the presented tool. The link to the video should be included in the paper abstract. Note that commercial products cannot be accepted. The tool demo track is for promoting scientific contributions instead of promoting sales of a tool currently being commercialized. Authors of accepted tool demo papers will be invited to give a presentation and present the tool in the Hands-on session. Both presentation and hands-on will be scheduled within the program.

Evaluation criteria: We look for papers that include: (i) Clear motivation for the tool; (ii) The software engineering task/challenges the tool aims to address; (iii) Discussion regarding similar tools; (iv) Description of the tool features, envisioned users, and usage scenarios; (v) Results of validation studies for the case of mature tools, or design of planned studies if the tool is an early prototype.

Below, you will find details on the dates, the submission and evaluation of papers, besides the important topics and organization committee of each Foundations track.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Technical and emerging ideas papers

- Abstract submission (Extended): ~~December 11st, 2017~~ **\*\*Strict and firm deadline\*\***
- Paper submission (Extended): ~~December 18th, 2017~~ **\*\*Strict and firm deadline\*\***
- Notification to authors: February 5th, 2018
- Camera-Ready: February 26th, 2018

Tools papers

- Paper submission: February 5th, 2018
- Notification: March 2nd, 2018
- Camera-Ready: March 12nd, 2018

## SUBMISSIONS

All papers must be submitted through the EasyChair submission system at <https://easychair.org/conferences/>, using PDF format only. Submissions must be formatted according to the LNCS style. At least one author of accepted papers must register by the camera-ready deadline. For the first accepted article the registration costs are those of the category "Public in general", in case of having a second (and third) accepted article the costs are those of the category "Additional article". In addition, at least one of the paper's authors must come to the conference and present it. Otherwise, the paper will be excluded from the proceedings that are made available online by Curran Associates (<http://www.proceedings.com/>), and later indexed by Scopus.

## EVALUATION PROCESS

Any paper which is not within the scope of the conference, or do not follow the formatting guidelines will be desk-rejected without review. All other submissions are going to be peer reviewed by at least three members of the Program Committee. All accepted papers, will be published by the organization in the conference proceedings that will be indexed in Scopus and DBLP, as long as one author of the accepted paper has registered and presents the paper at the conference. The best paper of each track will receive an award certificate. We are also working to publish the best papers in a special issue of an international journal.

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Software Engineering Track (SET)  
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SET is a forum where researchers and practitioners from the Ibero-American community may report and discuss new research results in all the areas of Software Engineering, except for topics in requirements engineering and empirical software engineering, which are discussed in the corresponding specialized tracks.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Software Processes and Methodologies
- Model-driven software engineering
- Automatic software generation
- Reverse engineering and software system modernization
- Software evolution and maintenance
- Quality, measurement, and assessment of products and processes
- Software Testing
- Software architectures
- Search-based software engineering
- Web engineering and Web services
- Software product families and variability
- Software reuse
- Software Language Engineering
- Formal methods applied to software engineering
- Integration with human-computer interaction
- Ontologies applied to software engineering
- Software Engineering for Self-Adaptive and Autonomous Systems
- Software Engineering for cyber-physical systems

#### SET PROGRAM CHAIRS

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#### Requirements Engineering Track (WER)

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This track is the evolution of the Workshop on Requirements Engineering. This workshop started as a meeting of the Ibero-American requirements engineering community, but over the years has attracted attention from researchers from other parts of the world as well. WER is now an integral part of ClbSE as a whole.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Requirements elicitation, analysis, and documentation.
- Requirements validation, and visualization .
- Requirements specification languages, methods, processes, and tools.
- Requirements management, traceability, prioritization, and negotiation.
- Requirements in agile methods.
- Requirements in Model-Driven Development.
- Non-functional requirements.

- Regulatory compliance.
- Requirements engineering and software architecture.
- Aspect-oriented requirements engineering.
- Service-oriented requirements engineering.
- Requirements for Web-based systems and mobile applications.
- Requirements engineering for self-adaptive systems.
- Requirements for the agent-oriented paradigm.
- Requirements for product lines.
- Social, cultural, and cognitive factors in requirements engineering.
- Aligning requirements to business goals and processes.
- Requirements engineering education and training.

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#### Experimental Software Engineering Track (ESELAW)

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This track is the evolution of the Workshop on Experimental Software Engineering. ESELAW provides a stimulating forum at which researchers and practitioners can present and discuss recent research results on a wide range of topics related to Experimental Software Engineering. In addition, the track encourages the exchange of ideas so as to understand the strengths and weaknesses of software engineering technologies and methods from a strong empirical viewpoint, including different kinds of empirical studies. Research on empirical methods and the design and analysis of empirical studies are also welcome. ESELAW is now an integral part of CIBSE as a whole.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Studies concerned with software processes and products.
- The evaluation and comparison of techniques and models (cost estimation, analysis and design methods, testing, etc.).
- Reports on benefits derived from using specific software technologies.
- The development of predictive models for software engineering.
- Experiences with research methods: measurement theory, experimental design, qualitative modeling, analysis approaches, grounded theory, protocol studies, families of experiments, etc.
- The development, derivation and/or comparison of organizational models of the software development of industrial experience in process improvement.
- Quality measurement.
- Mining software repositories.
- Process modeling and applications in industry.
- Systematic reviews and evidence-based software engineering.
- Simulation-based studies in software engineering.

- Education and training in experimental software engineering.
- Industrial experience, case studies, action-research, etc.
- New ideas regarding the measurement, evaluation, comparison and development of empirical software methods.
- Infrastructures and new techniques with which to conduct empirical studies.
- Replication of empirical studies

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#### DOCTORAL SYMPOSIUM

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Doctoral Symposium papers comprehend those describing PhD work in progress. It should be a single author publication (thus, the name of the supervisor should not be included). Suggested paper structure:

- Introduce the field of research and identify the main challenges related to it.
- Clearly formulate the research questions and objectives, justifying why they were chosen.
- Outline the current knowledge of the problem domain, as well as the state of existing solutions.
- Sketch the research methodology that is being applied.
- Introduce the proposed solution and the results achieved so far.
- State in what aspects the suggested solution is different or better as compared to existing approaches.
- Indicate the outstanding issues and describe the next steps that are planned.
- Provide a list of references

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