Call for Participation: ACM SIGMOD/PODS 2009 Conference
Providence, Rhode Island
June 29 - July 2, 2009
http://www.sigmod09.org

For decades, the joint ACM SIGMOD/PODS Conference has established itself as the top data management conference in the world for researchers, practitioners, developers, and users to report and share cutting-edge ideas and results, and to exchange techniques, tools, and experiences. We are delighted to invite you to attend ACM SIGMOD/PODS, to be held in Providence, Rhode Island, from June 29 to July 2, 2009.

The conference will take place at the Westin Providence Hotel, where a block of rooms has been reserved for attendees. Rooms can be booked at a special conference rate, including a special rate exclusively for students, either online from the conference web site or over phone by quoting "SIGMOD/PODS".

***** Registration is now open: http://www.sigmod09.org/ *****

The deadline for early registration is May 29, 2009. The hotel's room block will be released after May 30, 2008, so you should make your reservations well before then to avail of the special conference rate. The conference banquet will be held in historic Newport, a popular New England summer resort renowned for its mansions.

The highlights of the SIGMOD/PODS technical program are as follows:

SIGMOD

2 Keynote presentations
- Enterprise Applications - OLTP and OLAP - Share One Database Architecture. Hasso Plattner (Hasso-Plattner-Institute for IT Systems Engineering)
- Transforming Data Access Through Public Visualization. Fernanda B. Viegas (IBM), Martin Wattenberg (IBM)

5 Tutorials
- Large Scale Uncertainty Management Systems: Learning and Exploiting. Your Data. Shivnath Babu, Sudipto Guha, Kamesh Munagala
- FPGA: What’s In It For a Database? Rene Mueller, Jens Teubner
- Keyword Search on Structured and Semi-Structured Data. Yi Chen, Wei Wang, Ziyang Liu, Xuemin Lin
- Database Research in Computer Games. Alan Demers, Johannes Gehrke, Walker White
- Anonymized Data: Generation, Models, Usage. Graham Cormode, Divesh Srivastava

Panel on the 40th anniversary of relational data model
63 technical paper presentations
SIGMOD (cont.)

18 industrial paper presentations
31 demonstrations
Best demonstration competition
New researchers symposium
Programming contest
Undergraduate posters competition
6 pre-conference workshops (DaMon, DBTest, IDAR, KEYS, MobiDE, WebDB)

PODS

Keynote presentation
- "Web Information Management: A Plethora of Problems"
  Raghu Ramakrishnan (Yahoo! Research)

2 Tutorials
- "The finite model theory toolbox of a database theoretician"
  Leonid Libkin (University of Edinburgh)
- "Worst-Case Efficient Range Search Indexing"
  Lars Arge (University of Aarhus)

26 technical paper presentations

We look forward to seeing you at SIGMOD/PODS 2009 in Providence.

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