**Track:** Collaboration Systems and Technologies  
**Minitrack:** Cross-Organizational and Cross-Border IS/IT Collaboration

Investments in IS/IT represent a substantial portion of corporate capital spending. With progressing globalization, many of these investments are conducted across nations and throughout regions. Cross-system integration and collaboration technologies play crucial roles and often decide about investment success or failure. Particular interest is on the linkages between global collaboration and the business value of IS/IT. Possible contributions regarding the collaboration in global economy may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Processes of international/global IS/IT collaboration
- Effects of collaboration on IS/IT productivity
- Success factors of collaboration technologies
- Inter-organizational collaboration and IS/IT productivity
- Conceptual frameworks of IS/IT collaboration in the global economy
- IS/IT investment evaluation
- IS/IT productivity studies at the country, industry, firm, or project level
- Comparative cross-country research
- Country-specific case studies
- IS/IT offshoring /outsourcing into emerging economies
- International IS/IT project management
- Multinational teams and IS/IT productivity
- IS/IT productivity instrument development and validation
- Cross-border and cross-organizational Value-Chains and Value-Networks

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