General Information

The 13th International Conference on Reliable Software Technologies (Ada-Europe 2008) will take place in Venice, Italy. Following the usual style, the conference will span a full week, including a three-day technical program and vendor exhibitions from Tuesday to Thursday, along with parallel workshops and tutorials on Monday and Friday.

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Topics

The conference has successfully established itself as an international forum for providers, practitioners and researchers into reliable software technologies. The conference presentations will illustrate current work in the theory and practice of the design, development and maintenance of long-lived, high-quality software systems for a variety of application domains. The program will allow ample time for keynotes, Q&A sessions, panel discussions and social events. Participants will include practitioners and researchers in representation from industry, academia and government organizations active in the promotion and development of reliable software technologies.

Prospective contributions should address the topics of interest to the conference, which include but are not limited to those listed below:

- **Software Architectures**: Design Patterns, Frameworks, Architecture-Centered Development, Component and Class Libraries, Component-based Design.
- **Software Quality**: Quality Management and Assurance, Risk Analysis, Program Analysis, Verification, Validation, Testing of Software Systems.
- **Mainstream and Emerging Applications**: Multimedia and Communications, Manufacturing, Robotics, Avionics, Space, Health Care, Transportation.
- **Experience Reports**: Case Studies and Comparative Assessments, Management Approaches, Qualitative and Quantitative Metrics.
- **Ada and Education**: Where does Ada stand in the software engineering curriculum; how learning Ada serves the curriculum; what it takes to form a fluent Ada user; lessons learned on Education and Training Activities with bearing on any of the conference topics.

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*(approval pending)*
Call for Regular Papers

Authors of regular papers, which undergo peer review for acceptance, are invited to submit original contributions. Paper submissions shall be in English, complete and not exceeding 20 double-spaced pages in length. Authors should submit their work via the Web submission system accessible from the Conference Home page. The format for submission is PDF. Submissions by other means and formats will not be accepted. If you do not have easy access to the Internet, or you do not have an appropriate Web browser, please take contact with the Program Chair.

Proceedings

The authors of accepted regular papers shall prepare their camera-ready submissions in full conformance with the LNCS style, not exceeding 14 pages and strictly by 2 March 2008. For format and style guidelines authors should refer to: http://www.springer.de/comp/lncs/authors.html. Failure to comply and to register for the conference will prevent the paper from appearing in the conference proceedings. The conference proceedings will be published in the Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS) series by Springer Verlag, which will be available at the start of the conference.

Awards

Ada-Europe will offer honorary awards for the best regular paper and the best presentation.

Call for Industrial Presentations

The conference also seeks industrial presentations which may deliver value and insight, but do not easily fit the selection process for regular papers. Authors of industrial presentations are invited to submit a short overview (at least 1 page in size) of the proposed presentation to the Industrial Program Chair by 13 January 2008. The Industrial Program Committee will review the proposals and make the selection. The authors of selected presentations shall prepare their final material, together with a short abstract (max 10 lines), by 11 May 2008, aiming at a 20-minute talk. The authors of accepted presentations will be requested to derive articles off them for publication in the Ada User Journal, as part of the proceedings of the Industrial Program of the Conference.

Call for Tutorials

Tutorials should address subjects that fall within the scope of the conference and may be proposed as either half- or a full-day events. Proposals should include a title, an abstract, a description of the topic, a detailed outline of the presentation, a description of the presenter’s lecturing expertise in general and with the proposed topic in particular, the proposed duration (half day or full day), the intended level of the tutorial (introductory, intermediate, or advanced), the recommended audience experience and background, and a statement of the reasons for attending. Proposals should be submitted by e-mail to the Tutorial Chair. The providers of full-day tutorials will receive a complimentary conference registration as well as a fee for every paying participant in excess of 5; for half-day tutorials, these benefits will be accordingly halved. The Ada User Journal will offer space for the publication of summaries of the accepted tutorial in issues preceding and/or following the conference.

Call for Workshops

Workshops on themes that fall within the conference scope may be proposed to discuss matters of immediate technical interest as well as to foster action on longer-term technical objectives. Proposals may be submitted for half- or full-day workshops, to be scheduled on either ends of the main conference. Workshop proposals should be submitted by e-mail to the Conference Chair. The workshop organizer shall also commit to preparing proceedings for timely publication in the Ada User Journal.

Call for Exhibitions

Commercial exhibitions will span the three days of the main conference. Vendors and providers of software products and services should contact the Exhibition Chair for information and for allowing suitable planning of the exhibition space and time.

Reduced Fees for Students

A limited number of grants are available for students who will (co-)author and present papers at the conference. A reduction of 25% will be made to the conference fee. Contact the Conference Chair for details.