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#### **Important Dates**

Paper submissions due: *April 24, 2006, 9:00 p.m. PDT* Submissions acknowledged: *April 28, 2006* Notification of acceptance: *June 30, 2006* Papers due for shepherding: *Mid-August 2006* Final papers due: *September 5, 2006* 

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#### **Overview**

The seventh OSDI seeks to present innovative, exciting work in the systems area. OSDI brings together professionals from academic and industrial backgrounds in what has become a premier forum for discussing the design, implementation, and implications of systems software.

The OSDI Symposium emphasizes both innovative research and quantified or illuminating experience. OSDI takes a broad view of the systems area and solicits contributions from many fields of systems practice, including, but not limited to, operating systems, file and storage systems, distributed systems, mobile systems, secure systems, embedded systems, networking as it relates to operating systems, and the interaction of hardware and software development. We particularly encourage contributions containing highly original ideas, new approaches, and/or groundbreaking results.

Submissions that are deemed too far from these topics may be rejected without a full review.

## **Submitting a Paper**

A good paper will demonstrate that the authors:

- are attacking a significant problem,
- have devised an interesting, compelling solution,
- have demonstrated the practicality and benefits of the solution,
- have drawn appropriate conclusions,
- have clearly described what they have done, and
- have clearly articulated the advances beyond previous work.

Submissions will be judged on originality, significance, interest, clarity, relevance, and correctness. Accepted papers will be shepherded through an editorial review process by a member of the program committee.

Papers accompanied by nondisclosure agreement forms are not acceptable and will be returned to the author(s) unread. All submissions are held in the highest

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confidentiality prior to publication in the Proceedings, both as a matter of policy and in accord with the U.S. Copyright Act of 1976.

In addition to citing relevant, published work, authors should relate their OSDI submissions to relevant submissions of their own that are simultaneously under review for other venues. The OSDI PC reserves the right to ask authors to provide copies of related simultaneously-submitted papers.

Simultaneous submission of the same work to multiple venues, submission of previously published work, and plagiarism constitute dishonesty or fraud. USENIX, like other scientific and technical conferences and journals, prohibits these practices and may, on the recommendation of a program chair, take action against authors who have committed them. In some cases, program committees may share information about submitted papers with other conference chairs and journal editors to ensure the integrity of papers under consideration. If a violation of these principles is found, sanctions may include, but are not limited to, barring the authors from submitting to or participating in USENIX conferences for a set period, contacting the authors' institutions, and publicizing the details of the case.

Authors uncertain whether their submission meets USENIX's guidelines should contact the program chairs, osdi06chairs@usenix.org, or the USENIX office, submissionspolicy@usenix.org.

Authors of accepted papers will be expected to provide both PDF and HTML versions of their paper, for inclusion in the Web and CD-ROM versions of the Proceedings. Authors of accepted papers will also be expected to sign a Consent Form, agreeing not to publish their papers elsewhere within 12 months of acceptance, except for electronic access as permitted in the Consent Form. One author per paper will receive a registration discount of \$200. USENIX will offer a complimentary registration upon request.

#### **Deadline and Submission Instructions**

Authors are required to submit full papers by 9:00 p.m. PDT on April 24, 2006. This is a hard deadline—no extensions will be given.

Submitted papers must be no longer than 14 singlespaced 8.5" x 11" pages, including figures, tables, and references, using 10 point type on 12 point (singlespaced) leading, within a text block 6.5" wide x 9" deep. Papers not meeting these criteria will be rejected without review, and no deadline extensions will be granted for reformatting. Pages should be numbered, and figures and tables should be legible in black and white, without requiring magnification. Papers so short as to be considered "extended abstracts" will not receive full consideration.

Papers must be in PDF format and must be submitted via the Web submission form, which is available on the Call for Papers Web site, http://www.usenix.org /osdi06/cfp.

The title and author name(s) should appear on the first page of the submitted paper. (Reviewing is not blind.)

For more details on the submission process, and for templates to use with LaTeX, Word, etc., authors should consult the detailed online submission requirements at http://www.usenix.org/events/osdi06/cfp/requirements.html.

All submissions will be acknowledged by April 28, 2006. If your submission is not acknowledged by this date, please contact the program chairs promptly at osdi06chairs@usenix.org.

## **Outstanding Paper Awards**

The program committee will, at its discretion, give out awards for outstanding papers. Papers of particular merit will be forwarded to *ACM Transactions on Computer Systems* for possible publication in a special issue.

## Work-in-Progress Reports

Are you doing new, interesting work that has not been previously presented and that is still in too early a phase for publication? The OSDI attendees could provide valuable feedback to you. We are particularly interested in the presentation of student work. Details on submitting Work-in-Progress session proposals will be made available on the Symposium Web site by July 2006.

## **Poster Session**

We plan to hold a poster session in conjunction with a social event at the Symposium. Details on submitting posters for review will be made available on the Symposium Web site by July 2006.

## **Registration Materials**

Complete program and registration information will be available in August 2006 on the conference Web site. The information will be in both HTML and a printable PDF file. If you would like to receive the latest USENIX conference information, please join our mailing list: http://www.usenix.org/about/mailing.html.