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## CALL FOR PAPERS

### **USE-2008. From Information Provision to Knowledge Production**

23-25 June, 2008 at the University of Oulu, Finland

<http://www.oulu.fi/silo/use2008>

**Extended submissions deadline for all contributions: January 15, 2008.**

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Research on Library and Information Science has focused on knowledge organization, users of information, uses of information, and provision of information and development of library and information services for more than 50 years. A new angle on these mainstreams of research can contribute to the generation of new knowledge and innovations and thus enhance the development of a knowledge society and a knowledge-based economy. The underlying assumption of this development is that the knowledge creation and generation of innovations are the primary sources of wealth and social well-being in the contemporary society. Therefore there is a clear need to explore the relationship between knowledge and information and how the information behaviour and practices of individuals, groups, organizations, and the wider community relate to various aspects of knowledge creation and production.

**The international conference USE-2008. From Information Provision to Knowledge Production,** aims at addressing issues related both to theoretical conceptions and empirical applications of research on information use in knowledge production processes at different levels of activity in society.

Topics of interests include, but are not restricted to, information use in knowledge production processes; for example:

- knowledge management and the research of paradigms of information studies
- knowledge creation as a research object of information studies
- theoretical aspects and models of knowledge creation and production, the perspective of information studies
- theoretical and empirical issues of information use
- methodologies in knowledge behaviour, practices and use, including aspects of information literacy
- information seeking and interactive information retrieval in knowledge production
- innovativeness and knowledge processes
- creativity and innovations
- knowledge-based economy, knowledge production and information professionals
- knowledge production, information, content, documentation, and their materialities

\*\*\*\*\***IMPORTANT DATES**\*\*\*\*\*

Full papers, posters, panels: **January 15, 2008.**

Notification of acceptance: **February 29, 2008.**

Revised papers: **May 15, 2008.**

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Submissions may be of three types:

1. Papers. **The submission should be of 4500 - 5000 words maximum, including an abstract of 100 words.** The duration of the paper presentation is 20-25 minutes. Submissions are peer reviewed.
2. Poster presentations for doctoral research projects in progress. **The submissions should be of 500 – 750 words.** Poster presentations are peer reviewed.
3. Panels. **The submission should be of 1500 – 2000 words.** Submissions are peer reviewed.

**The submissions should be in Microsoft Word format (.doc or .rft files) and e-mailed to: USE2008@oulu.fi**

USE-2008 Doctoral Workshop will be organized on 22-23 June, 2008.

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