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The more things change ...



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Background

The 11th International Development Informatics Association conference (IDIA2020) is being organized and hosted by the United Nations University Institute on Computing and Society (UNU-CS) from 25 - 27 March 2020 in Macau. UNU-CS, as a research unit and a think tank within the United Nations, undertakes policy-relevant research at the nexus of information and communication technologies and sustainable development, in support of both the UN system and member states.

Since its inception in 2006, IDIA has sought to create a space and a forum for researchers and practitioners to connect and exchange knowledge on issues of information and communication technologies for development (ICT4D) not only in, but also for and by the Global South.

Objectives

IDIA2020 aims to provide a forum for robust, critical, evidence-based, and actionable discussions on what is working, what has not worked, what needs to change, and how to deal with the changes within the ICT4D domain.

It also aims to strengthen connections between the research and the policy world, as well as between the various global and regional collectives and hubs of ICT4D research.

Structure & program

The conference will occur over a period of three days and will consist of workshops on the first day, and full paper presentations on the second and third days. The conference will also include invited keynotes as well as conference social events.

The papers submitted to IDIA2020 will undergo a double blind peer review by at least three reviewers from the technical programme committee. Workshop submissions will also undergo a peer review.

Participation

IDIA2020 targets participation from researchers, practitioners, policymakers and stakeholders from around the world interested in issues of technology and sustainable development.

Theme

The theme of this year "The more things change ..." calls for a critical exploration of the impacts of both the old and the new frontier technologies on the global landscape of poverty and sustainable development. It also calls for a reflection on the changes within the ICT4D discourse in view of the evolving demands of the technology and society confluence. The four sub-themes for IDIA2020 are: (1) **ICT4D: Taking stock** - contributions on impactful ICT4D projects across the various domains e.g. education, health, governance and finance; (2) **Harnessing frontier technologies for sustainable development** - critical research on frontier technologies in the context of ICT4D; (3) **ICT4D discourse, methodologies, and theoretical reflections**; (4) **The evolving global souths** - research that amplifies and gives voice to the issues of the marginalized in both "developed" and "developing" countries.

Further details

Further details are available at <https://www.idia2020.com> or via email to info@idia2020.com