
28th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automated Software Engineering

Silicon Valley, California, November 11 – 15, 2013

<http://ase2013.org/>



Call for Papers – Doctoral Symposium

Goal. The goal of the ASE 2013 Doctoral Symposium is to provide a supportive yet questioning setting in which the PhD students have an opportunity to present and discuss their research with other researchers in the ASE community. The Symposium aims to provide students with useful guidance and feedback on their research and to facilitate their networking within the scientific community by interacting with established researchers and with their peers at a similar stage in their careers.

Scope. The technical scope of the Symposium is that of ASE. Students should consider participating in the Doctoral Symposium after they have settled on a dissertation topic with some initial research results. Students should be at least a year from completion of their dissertation (at the time of the Symposium), to obtain maximum benefit from participation. The Doctoral Symposium is open to Ph.D. students at any stage of their research, whereby students at the initial stage (first or second year) will be able to challenge their ideas and current research directions, while students at a more mature stage (third or fourth year) will be able to present their thesis and get advice for improvement and for better exposition of their contributions and conclusions. Attendance is open to students of accepted research abstracts and Doctoral Symposium committee members.

Evaluation. The Doctoral Symposium Committee will select participants using the following criteria:

- The potential quality of the research and its relevance to automated software engineering.
- Quality of the research abstract.
- Diversity of background, research topics and approaches.

Students should not infer that a list of prior publications is in any way expected or required; we welcome submissions from students for whom this will be their first formal submission as well as those who have previously published

SUBMISSIONS

To apply as a student participant in the Doctoral Symposium, you should prepare a submission package consisting of two parts, both of which must be submitted by the submission deadline.

Part 1: Research Abstract (max. 4 pages). Your research abstract must conform to the ASE 2013 formatting and submission instructions and should cover:

- The research problem that you are targeting with justification of its importance
- Discussion on related and prior work explaining why this has not solved the problem
- A sketch of the proposed approach or solution
- The expected contributions of your dissertation research
- Progress you have made so far in solving the stated problem
- The methods you are using or will use to carry out your research
- A plan for evaluating your work and presenting credible evidence of your results to the research community
- A list of any publications either appeared, accepted or submitted for which the student is an author.

Students at the initial stage of their research might have some difficulty in addressing some of these areas, but should make their best attempt. The research abstract should include the title of your work, your name, your advisor, your email address, postal address, personal website, and a one paragraph short summary in the style of an abstract for a regular paper.

Please submit your research abstract using the EasyChair submission site at:

<https://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=dsase13>

Part 2: Letter of Recommendation. Please ask your dissertation advisor for a letter of recommendation. This letter should include your name and a candid assessment of the current status of your dissertation research and an expected date for dissertation submission. The letter should be in Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF), and sent to: Marsha Chechik and Paul Grünbacher at ase-org@cs.toronto.edu with the subject: ASE 2013 DOCTORAL SYMPOSIUM RECOMMENDATION.

IMPORTANT DATES

Paper Submission: July 10, 2013

Author Notification: August 15, 2013

Camera-Ready Papers: September 23, 2013

Doctoral Symposium: November 11, 2013

Acceptance. All accepted papers will be published by IEEE. Authors of accepted contributions will receive further instructions for preparing their camera ready versions. Authors must register for the ASE 2013 Doctoral Symposium and present their work at the Symposium.

ORGANIZATION

Doctoral Symposium Co-chairs.

Marsha Chechik, *University of Toronto, Canada*

Paul Grünbacher, *Johannes Kepler University Linz, Austria*

Doctoral Symposium Committee.

Jamie H. Andrews, *University of Western Ontario, Canada*

Myra B. Cohen, *University of Nebraska, Lincoln, USA*

Elisabetta Di Nitto, *Politecnico di Milano, Italy*

Darko Marinov, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA*

Charles Pecheur, *Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium*

Andrea Zisman, *City University London, UK*