Editorial Notes

This issue completes the fourth volume of the Journal of Theoretical and Applied Electronic Commerce Research (JTAER). In this editorial we briefly announce two forthcoming special issues and what we expect of quality research submissions. We also set out the current positions available for the roles of JTAER Editorial Board members and Co-Editors and the corresponding application process.

Coming Special Issues

We have announced two special issues for 2010. The August issue will be dedicated to "Trust and Trust Management" and will be guest edited by Audun Jøsang (University of Oslo) and Glenn Bewsell (University of Wollongong). The abstract submission will be opened until the 15th of January and the deadline for the full manuscript submission is the 15th of February 2010. Some of the topics to be considered for this special issue are:

- Metrics for trust and reputation
- Trust and reputation systems; protocols and computational models
- Robustness of trust and reputation systems
- Impacts of technology on trust
- Costs and trade-offs for establishing and sustaining trust
- Identity, credentials and access management
- Authorization models and policies
- Security and trust
- Risk management and trust
- Decision making and trust
- Case studies for online trust
- Recommender systems and trust
- Community perspectives of online trust
- eGovernment and trust
- Novel perspectives on trust in e-commerce
- Business models and trust
- Trust based marketing
- Trust destruction, distrust and trust restoration

The December issue will be dedicated to "Service Oriented Applications and Integration for e-Commerce" and will be guest edited by Yinsheng Li (Fudan University, China), Wei-Tek Tsai (Arizona State University, USA), and Yueting Chai (Tsinghua University, China). The abstract submission will be accepted until the 15th of March and the deadline for submitting the full manuscript is the 15th of April. Some of the topics that will be considered for inclusion in this special issue are:

- Service or service-oriented system modeling
- Service-oriented integration methods and technologies
Proposing Special Issues

We are willing to evaluate and consider new proposals for Special Issues on current and innovative research areas of interest to the ecommerce community. Proposals will be evaluated by the Editorial Committee based on the following criteria:

1. How interesting is the topic proposed to researchers and practitioners?
2. What is the expertise and leadership capacity of the applicants (potential guest editors) on the topic proposed?
3. What is the perceived probability of success of the proposed special issue?

Proposals must include at least two guest editors from two different continents, and must be submitted to the Editor-in-Chief (ncerpa@utalca.cl). You will have guidance and assistance in preparing the special issue from the JTAER.

Quality Submissions

The journal continuously seeks quality manuscripts from all parts of the world. Submissions need to be made electronically. Send as a Word/PDF attachment to: ncerpa@utalca.cl. Besides being an interesting research work, submitted articles should have a:

1. Well-defined set of objectives/research questions
2. Sound methodological approach
3. Strong evidence (e.g., empirical data, survey data, case studies, tested model, etc.)
4. Good presentation of results and discussion
5. Useful set of conclusions for researchers and practitioners
6. Quality references from journals

Editorial Board Membership

We have a few vacancies on the Editorial Board of JTAER starting in 2011. If you have interest in contributing to our journal and credentials in the electronic commerce field and would like to serve on the Editorial Board, please contact the Editor-in-Chief at ncerpa@utalca.cl. The Editorial Board membership will be for a period of 3 years, starting from January 1, 2011, and may be reappointed to a second three-year term after evaluation.

The basic responsibilities of the Editorial Board membership include contributing to defining the strategic direction, policies and procedures for the journal, reviewing papers, organizing special issues, attracting quality papers, suggesting other Editorial Board members who are team players, proposing and attracting good reviewers, among others.

The committee seeks individuals who are considered research leaders in their chosen discipline. With respect to intellectual interests, the JTAER Editorial Board members should have familiarity with technical and/or business related issues of electronic commerce.
Each candidate or nominee for the Editorial Board position is requested to provide the following information:

1. Current CV that includes information about education, academic and administrative positions, publications, awards, professional affiliations and activities, and other relevant items.

2. Description of Co-Editorship experience with scholarly journals or other types of publications.

3. Statement of interest, potential contribution (one page), and availability to serve as member of the Editorial Board, including a description of anticipated academic and professional responsibilities for the next three years.

**Co-Editor Position**

The Journal of Theoretical and Applied Electronic Commerce Research is also seeking qualified candidates for the Co-Editor position of the Journal. The Co-Editor will serve a period of 3 years, starting from January 1, 2011, and may be reappointed to a second three-year term.

The main responsibility of the Co-Editor is to manage the review process, edition and publication of three high quality issues of the Journal in April, August, and December of each year. Additional responsibilities of the Co-Editor are developing journal strategies, setting policies and procedures, negotiating journal abstracting and indexing with organizations providing abstracting services, negotiating publication of special issues, attracting good quality papers for publication in the journal, finding and attracting good Editorial Board members and reviewers.

The committee seeks individuals who are considered research leaders and internationally renowned scholars in their chosen discipline. With respect to intellectual interests, the JTAER Co-Editor should have familiarity with technical and/or business related issues of electronic commerce.

Each candidate or nominee for the Co-Editorship position is requested to provide the following information:

1. Current CV that includes information about education, academic and administrative positions, publications, awards, professional affiliations and activities, and other relevant items.

2. Description of Co-Editorship experience with scholarly journals or other type of publications.

3. Statement of interest, potential contribution, and availability to serve as Editorial Board member/Co-Editor (you may apply to only one position), including a description of anticipated academic and professional responsibilities for the next three years.

4. Statement of editorial philosophy, including views on editorial policy, directions the journal should follow, and description of and approach to working with the Editor, other Co-Editors and reviewers.

5. Brief description of Institutional commitment for the support of the editorial office for the next three years.

The due date for nomination/application for both positions (Editorial Board Membership and Co-Editorship) is March 30, 2010, and the results will be announced in June 2010.

All nominations/applications and enquiries about the positions should be addressed to Narciso Cerpa, Editor-in-Chief and Chair of the Search Committee, (ncerpa@utalca.cl).

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