



PRO-VE'10 Special Session

Management of Collaborative Networks in Humanitarian Organisations

Scope

Lack of coordination and collaboration has often been underlined as a major weakness of humanitarian or not-for-profit organisations. The increasing number of stakeholders, differing from one situation to another, their various natures and incentives (international NGOs, UN Agencies, foreign or local government, local organizations and implementing partners...) and many other factors such as the volatility of the environment are hindering collaboration processes in the context of humanitarian crises. Practitioners as well as researchers have therefore recently focused on this issue in order to find improvement paths. The 2005 UN Reform with its cluster approach and new financing system, the development of new information and communication technologies and the creation of the Global Humanitarian Platform are a few examples of initiatives aiming at improving collaboration processes during and in-between disasters.

This special session aims at gathering papers focusing on collaborative networks and processes, configured and launched to manage disaster situations (Disaster relief, Disaster Management, Disaster Recovery...).

Contributions addressing the social, economic and/or environmental issues in humanitarian relief are welcome.. As this is a context-driven session, any scientific communities in Engineering, Economics, Managerial or Socio-Human sciences are encouraged to submit. Both theoretical works and case studies are accepted.

Topics include, but are not limited to:

Collaboration Business models in the humanitarian and non-for-profit sector
Collaboration patterns and forms during disasters
Mediation and collaboration platforms in contexts of crisis and turbulence
Risk and uncertainty management for collaborative networks
Trust modelling and management in contexts of humanitarian crisis
Corporate social responsibility

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Submission procedure

Short abstracts submission: Open till March 30th

Full papers submission: March, 30th, 2010

Acceptance Notice: May, 15th, 2010

Camera Ready Submission: June, 13th, 2010

Acceptance of papers is based on the **full paper** (up to **8** pages). Each paper will be evaluated by three members of the International Program Committee. However, prospective authors should submit a short abstract in advance, in order to check if the proposed topic fits within the conference scope.

Please note that the best papers of PRO-VE Conference will be considered for **Special Issues** in International Journals (List available on the web site).

Submission on : www.pro-ve.org, with copy by email to the chairs of the session