The annual Southern Association for Information Systems (SAIS), an official chapter of the Association for Information Systems (AIS), will hold its 22nd SAIS conference at The King and Prince Beach & Golf Resort in beautiful St. Simons Island, Georgia from March 22-23, 2019. We invite submissions of abstracts, papers, panels, tutorials, and workshops, from academia, business, or government on current topics in all areas of information systems. Accepted abstracts and papers will be included in the conference proceedings and published in the AIS e-Library. In addition, author(s) of selected papers will be invited to submit an extended version of the conference submission that will be fast-tracked for publication in the Journal of the Southern Association for Information Systems (JSAIS).

**ABSTRACTS** – Abstracts must not exceed 500 words and are reviewed for content fit with the conference. Upon acceptance, at least one author must register for and attend the conference to present the paper and for the submission to be published in the proceedings. **The submission deadline for ABSTRACTS is December 21, 2018.**

**PAPERS** – Completed research papers and research-in-progress papers must not exceed six single-spaced pages, including all figures, tables, appendices, and references. Thoughtful and substantive feedback will be provided for both paper types. Upon acceptance, at least one author must register for and attend the conference to present the paper and for the submission to be published in the proceedings. **The submission deadline for PAPERS is December 21, 2018.**

**STUDENT PAPERS** – We invite Doctoral, Master’s, and Undergraduate students to submit research as a full paper to research-in-progress to SAIS 2019. Student papers must be authored solely by the student in order to qualify for this category. Student Papers must not exceed six single-spaced pages, including all figures, tables, appendices, and references. Students can expect to receive thoughtful and substantive feedback both through paper reviews and through comments from their presentation audience.

- **Undergraduate students:** The Conference Registration fee and AIS Membership fee are waived.
- **Master’s students:** The AIS membership fee is waived.
NOTE: Undergraduate and Master’s students must email the Program Chair at programchair@southernais.org to complete your registration. The submission deadline for STUDENT PAPERS is December 21, 2018.

PANELS, TUTORIALS, AND WORKSHOPS – Proposals for panels, tutorials, and workshops should be at least two pages long and must explain in detail the intended activities and how the session will be of interest to the conference attendees. Submissions should follow the paper guidelines provided. Innovative content and creative formats are highly encouraged. The session presenters are responsible for providing any specialty equipment or computers needed for the session. SAIS will provide screen projectors using HDMI or VGA cables. The submission deadline for PANELS, TUTORIALS, WORKSHOPS is December 21, 2018.

REVIEWERS – The corresponding author of all submissions will be invited to serve as a conference reviewer. If you are willing to serve as a reviewer, please contact the VP-Program Chair at programchair@southernais.org.

AWARD CATEGORIES – Paper submissions are eligible for one of the three award categories: Best Student Paper, Best Student and Faculty Paper, and Best Conference Paper. Best Student Paper selections are eligible for cash prizes up to $200. The author(s) of the Best Conference Paper will be invited to submit an extended version of the conference submission that will be fast-tracked for publication in JSAIS. Awards are presented during the lunch at the close of the conference.

PROCEEDINGS – SAIS publishes electronic proceedings online containing all papers, abstracts, and summaries of panel, tutorials, and workshops presented at the meeting. Previously published work or work under review elsewhere is not eligible for submission. Authors are responsible for ensuring submissions are formatted appropriately using the template provided on the conference website.

ONLINE SUBMISSION PROCESS

AUTHOR INSTRUCTIONS
All authors must adhere to the AIS code of research conduct. To submit a paper, abstract, or panel/tutorial/workshop, go to:
http://saisconferencemgmt.org/openconf/openconf.php

The submission site will open in September 2018 and closes on December 21, 2018.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES
Submissions must adhere to the following guidelines:
- All submissions must be in PDF format to support blind review of papers.
- Must use the template posted on the conference website.
- To facilitate a blind review, do not include any author or affiliation identification on any page of the document, in headings, footers, or in properties of the submitted file.

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For more information on the Conference, please consult the SAIS website (http://sais.aisnet.org/) or the VP-Program chair at programchair@southernais.org.

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Please post and distribute this call for papers to interested colleagues and students.