

MODELS 2008 – Practitioners’ Track

Call for Contributions

This year’s MODELS conference will feature a special focus on industrial experience with and adoption of modeling. We invite you to contribute to this exciting aspect of the conference.

About MODELS

The MODELS conference is devoted to model-driven engineering, covering software modeling languages, methods, and tools and their applications. MODELS emerged in 2005 as a successor to <<UML>>, a conference series focused on Unified Modeling Language.

Model-driven system development has long been used in the development of complex hardware systems. Modeling is becoming more prevalent in complex software or combined hardware and software systems development as methodologies and tools that can manipulate software models from early system inception through implementation and testing are emerging. The MoDELS series of conferences is the premier venue for the exchange of innovative technical ideas and experiences relating to model-driven approaches in the development of software-based systems.

About the Practitioners’ Track

Although the MODELS conference has always solicited experience papers as part of its technical program, this year’s edition of the conference will have a special focus on industry. It will feature one or two entire “industry days” with papers and presentations that are relevant for practitioners using Model-Driven Development techniques.

There are two ways how you can contribute to the practitioners’ track:

- You can submit an **experience or technological report paper**. The paper has to adhere to the standard paper submission guidelines and will be handled via the same rigid review process as academic papers. If it is accepted, the paper will be included in the proceedings and you will get a short presentation slot at the conference.
- Alternatively, you can also submit a **presentation** to the practitioners’ track directly. The expected submission is a two-page extended abstract that outlines the presentation you want to give. Submissions accepted via this route will not be published in the proceedings, but you will get a significantly longer presentation slot, and the review is less formal.

This second route for submissions has been put in place specifically for practitioners who do not have the time to prepare a formal paper (which can be a lot of work!), but who still have an interesting message.

Possible topics for the **practitioners' track** submissions include (but are not limited to)

- Introducing MDD into organizations
- Success stories in general
- General MDD challenges
- How to scale modeling to many users and large models
- Issues in current standards
- Engineering and managing sets of modeling languages
- Integrating models into a development environment
- Experience with certain tools
- How to scale modeling to many users and how to handle large models with tools
- Issues in current tools

Submission Process

We invite you to submit to this track – using whichever of the two submission alternatives you prefer. For experience or technological report paper submissions please use the Technical Papers submission system at <http://www.modelsconference.org>. For the presentation submissions please contact the chairs directly.

Deadlines

Extended Abstracts for Experience & Technological Presentations

Submission deadline: May 16, 2007

Experience & Technological Papers

Abstract submission deadline: May 2, 2008

Paper submission deadline: May 16, 2008

Notification to authors: July 4, 2008

Camera ready: July 18, 2008

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