Call for Participation

LAS-BPM 2015
First Latin-American School on Business Process Management
(http://elgpn.frsf.utn.edu.ar)

May 12-15, 2015, Santa Fe, Argentina

School Background and Goals

To keep competitive and to better achieve the clients’ requirements organizations are establishing as primary goal the improvement and quality of their business processes. Business Process Management (BPM) through process automation helps to reduce costs, time, and errors in process execution.

On the one hand, the main phase of process life-cycle is process design where business processes are captured and represented through a business process notation. Designing particular processes from domains such as healthcare or the automotive industry is very complex, not only because of their variety and need for flexibility, but also because they require the knowledge of very specific domain terms which can lead to interpretation problems, ambiguities and misunderstandings between the process analysts and the domain expert. Related to these needs, gathering information through ontologies for knowledge management can be very effective since ontologies and structured vocabularies in different domains help to make data understandable by machines.

On the other hand, cloud computing is a paradigm for the on-demand delivery of infrastructure, platform, or software as a service. Besides benefits that cloud computing can provide to execute and automate business processes on cloud-based BPM platforms, process ontologies and services on a cloud enable a collaborative design of business processes and provide better services for process design. In addition, process querying, ontologies, and process storage can take advantages of the benefits of cloud computing.

The main goal of the First Latin-America School on Business Process Management is to bring together researchers, students and practitioners to learn and discuss different and emergent topics regarding BPM.

The main topics covered by the LAS-BPM 2015 School include:
- Fundamentals on Business Process Management,
- Ontology and Process Management,
- Cloud Computing and Process Management,
- Inter-organizational Process Management.
Intended audience

The intended audience of the school consists of graduate and undergraduate students, professors, researchers and practitioners who have an interest in business process management and related topics in the areas of ontology, service-oriented computing and cloud computing.

Format of the School

The workshop will consist of short courses of half or full day duration.

As part of the school, several meetings will be organized so that the participants can discuss different topics regarding BPM and establish new cooperation. Also, a school publication, jointly with all courses presenters, will be published in a special edition of Cadernos de Informática http://seer.ufrgs.br/cadernosdeinformatica.

Student sessions

In addition to the courses and talks, there will be student sessions devoted to Ph.D., MSc and undergraduate students, where they will have the opportunity to present their on-going research on topics related to the school. Extended abstracts should not exceed 4 pages and should be prepared in Spanish, Portuguese, or English. Extended abstracts will be published with the proceedings of the school.

Confirmed speakers and Courses:

- Non-functional requirements in the business process lifecycle, Marcelo Fantinato (University of São Paulo (USP), Brazil)
- BPM in the Cloud, Samir Tata (TELECOM SudParis, Evry France)
- Business Process Mining, Walid Gaaloul (TELECOM SudParis, Evry France)
- Business Process Concepts and Modeling, Lucinéia Heloisa Thom (Instituto de Informática - Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil)
- Inter-organizational Process Management: Methods & Tools, Pablo Villarreal (CIDISI - Universidad Tecnológica Nacional Facultad Regional Santa Fe)
- Semantic Technologies, Laura Caliusco (CIDISI - Universidad Tecnológica Nacional Facultad Regional Santa Fe)
Important Dates:
Feb 23, 2015         Opening of registrations
Mar 27, 2015         Submission deadline for student abstracts
Apr 17, 2015         Notification of abstract acceptance
Apr 30, 2015         Deadline for the final version of abstracts
May 5, 2015          End of registrations
May 12, 2015         Opening of LAS-BPM 2015
May 15, 2015         End of LAS-BPM 2015

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