Discussion on the APAN Proceedings

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Rationale for an online proceedings

- The Network Research Workshop has had a proceedings for many years. This group meets once per year and features a peer review proceedings. The proceedings was printed and distributed to the workshop participants on the day of the meeting.
- It seems anachronistic to continue publishing on paper.
- Why not establish a proceedings open to any APAN presenter and publish the papers online.
- The proceedings will enhance APAN's reputation, attract participation from academia, and form a lasting legacy for each APAN meeting.

Call For Papers

- Introduction
- Important Dates (Schedule)
- Instruction to authors
- Links to:
  - Template for papers
  - Peer review score sheet
  - Creative commons license agreement for author
- Issues:
  - Conducting the submission of titles, abstracts and papers via email was not optimal.
  - I had to coach several delegates to submit their material to session chairs to obtain their invitation to present.
  - How to expand the CFP distribution via email?

Schedule

- 2010.3.20   Call for papers
- Ongoing   Submission of titles and abstract to WG chairs and editor.
- 2009.5.10   Round one paper submission deadline.
- 2009.5.30   Round one notification of acceptance.
- 2009.6.30   Round one final paper due.
- 2009.8.9-13   30th APAN, Hanoi, Vietnam
- 2010.8.30   Round two paper submission deadline.
- 2010.9.30   Round two notification of acceptance.
- 2010.10.30   Round two final paper due.
- 2010.11.30   Proceedings publication date.

Template for Papers

- Format typical of a peer review science journal.

- Designed to be typed in or filled in via cut and paste.

- No specific page limit.

Peer Review

- Each paper should be scored by three independent reviewers.
- The peer review score sheet is open for the authors to download – so they know what they will be scored on.
- Scoring areas:
  - Scientific merit
  - Technical merit
  - Broader impacts
  - References
  - English
- Rejection rate target 20%.
- Workshops are welcome to conduct their own reviews – as long as they adhere to the 20% rejection rate.

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- Author signed statements are to kept on-file by the APAN SEC.

Online Publication

- Chris and Markus have recommended the use of "Open Conference System" (http://pkp.sfu.ca/?q=ocs).
  - Open source, no cost, installation and functions are well documented.
  - Online submission of titles, abstracts and papers.
  - Functions to manage the peer review.
  - Issue of creative commons licenses.
  - Online publication of the titles, abstracts, presentations and papers.
- Other proceeding publication systems could be considered.
- System should be installed and operated by the APAN-SEC.

What Would an Online Proceeding Look Like?

Establishing Indexing for the APAN Proceedings

- IEEE recognition?
- Conference Proceedings Citation Index
  - *thomsonreuters.com*
- Others?