

15th CONFERENCE ON PATTERN LANGUAGES OF PROGRAMS



18th – 20th October 2008, co-located with OOPSLA 2008, Nashville, Tennessee, USA

CALL FOR PAPERS

Pattern Languages of Programs (PLoP[®]) conference is a premier event for pattern authors and pattern enthusiasts to gather, discuss and learn more about patterns and software development. The purpose of PLoP is to promote development of pattern languages on all aspects of software, including design and programming, software architecture, user interface design, domain modelling, and software process.

The conference program offers pattern authors a unique opportunity to have their pattern languages reviewed by fellow authors, which mainly occurs in the form of Writers' Workshops.

Authors and non-authors will find in the different PLoP activities (Writers' Workshops, Writing Groups, Focus Groups, BoF sessions, BootCamp, Games) many opportunities to learn more about patterns and pattern writing. As a whole, the conference provides a friendly and effective environment to give and get feedback, to share expertise, and to allow the participants to improve their patterns making them more useful and more publishable.

SUBMISSIONS

Paper submissions may include **short papers**, containing one or more patterns, **longer pattern languages or sequences**, or **work-in-progress papers** willing to get an in-depth shepherding by an experienced pattern author at the conference.

Papers are sought on topics related to patterns and pattern languages, including:

- Patterns and pattern languages
- Critiques of patterns and pattern languages
- Research on patterns and pattern languages
- Case studies of the use of patterns and pattern languages

After submission, papers will be peer-reviewed to be accepted for the shepherding process. During shepherding, authors will have assigned a shepherd that will help the author to improve the content and style of the paper. At the end of the shepherding process, papers will be peer-reviewed again to be accepted into the Writers' Workshops of the conference. Authors will receive early feedback after submission, and then a final result.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **May 2nd**: submissions due
- **May 19th**: shepherding begins
- **July 21st**: notification of acceptance
- **September 26th**: conference versions due

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please contact the Organizers, Ademar Aguiar and Joseph Yoder: plopchairs2008@hillside.net.

Or visit the Conference site: <http://hillside.net/plop/2008>.

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