# Third International Conference on Metadata and Semantic Research (MTSR'09)
## Milan, September 30-October 2, 2009
## Call for Papers

Following the success of the first two editions (MTSR'05 and MTSR'07), the third International Conference on Metadata and Semantics Research (MTSR'09) aims at bringing together researchers and practitioners that share a common interest in metadata, its representation, its semantics and its diverse applications to Information Systems.

Contributions are welcome on every topic related to Metadata and their relationships with Ontologies, Semantic Web, Knowledge Management and Software Engineering, such as

I. Foundations

* Typology of metadata and metadata uses.
* The value and cost of metadata.
* Quality evaluation in the use of Metadata.
* Metadata reusability.

II. Languages and Frameworks for the Management of Metadata

* SGML, XML, UML in theory and practice.
* Languages and Frameworks for Ontology Management.
* Metadata and the Semantic Web.
* Metadata and Knowledge Management.
* Metadata and Software Engineering.
* Metadata application of Semantic Web technologies.
* Ontologies and Ontology-based Knowledge Management Systems.

III. Case Studies

* Metadata and ontologies for librarianship, management of historical archives and archeological research.
* Metadata and ontologies for the design of innovative products and processes.
* Metadata and ontologies for health, biological and clinical information management.
* Metadata and ontologies in finance, tourism and public administrations.
* Metadata and ontologies in industry.
* Metadata and ontologies in education.

IV. Technological Issues
* Technologies for Metadata and ontology storage.
* Technologies for Metadata and ontology integration.

* Technologies for Metadata extraction and navigation, querying and editing of ontologies.
* Technologies for Learning Objects management.

Interested authors can submit either full papers (12 pages) or short papers (6 pages) about complete or ongoing researches respectively. Papers should be original and not previously submitted to other Conference or Journals.
The main Conference will be preceded by a Workshop Day, which aims at presenting new frontiers and ongoing researches in the Metadata, Ontology and Semantic Research fields.

An international editor will publish accepted papers in the form a book. In addition, best papers will be selected for publishing revised versions at several International Journals covering the diversity of topics like the *International Journal of Metadata, Semantics and Ontologies* and *The Electronic Library*

Important Dates:

Authors should manifest their intention to submit a paper by means of a short abstract no later than December 15th. Papers no longer than 12 pages in the Springer LNCS style should be submitted in the PDF format.
Submission of abstracts and papers will be available through Easychair Conference Management System: if you haven't an EasyChair account yet, you'll be asked to create it before you can access the MTSR09 page. Authors of accepted papers will be asked to register to the Conference and present their work in the form of either oral presentation or poster presentation.

2008, December 15th: title and abstract (500 words) submission
2009, February 28th: paper submission
2009, April 15th: acceptance/rejection notification
2009, May 30th: camera-ready papers due
2009, September 30th: MTSR'09 Workshops in Milan
2009, October 1st-2nd: MTSR'09 in Milan

For any information, you can send an email to the organizing committee at the following address: mtsr09@easychair.org.

Looking forward to see you in Milan!

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