

# 2<sup>nd</sup> PhD Colloquium – ER 2009



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### IMPORTANT DATES

**Submission: June, 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Notification: August, 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**Cam. Ready: September, 30<sup>th</sup>**

### SCOPE OF THE PhD Colloquium

The ER2009 PhD Colloquium is intended to bring together PhD students working on topics related to the ER conference series. The workshop will offer PhD students the opportunity to present, discuss, and receive feedback on their research in a constructive and collegial atmosphere. Prominent researchers in the field of conceptual modeling will attend the workshop and mentor the participant students. The workshop is co-located with the ER2009 conference and will take place on the first conference day (Monday, November 9th, 2009). The Colloquium language is English.

The PhD Colloquium is intended for students who have already settled on a specific research proposal and have some preliminary results, but still have enough time remaining before submitting their dissertation so that they can benefit from workshop feedback. The technical scope of the PhD Workshop is the same as that of the ER2009.

### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Students willing to participate in the PhD Workshop must submit an abstract describing their doctoral work. The abstract should not exceed 5 pages in the LNCS conference-proceedings style and must cover the following aspects:

- a clear formulation of the research topic
- an outline of the significant problems in the field and their current solutions
- a description of the proposed approach and its expected contributions
- a summary of the (expected) results, including their (proposed) evaluation method

The abstract must be submitted electronically to both chairs of the colloquium in PDF format. All submissions will be acknowledged.

Submissions will be judged on originality, significance, technical merit, presentation quality and relevance to the workshop topics. Each paper will be reviewed by at least two members of the workshop program committee (PhD Chairs plus PhD mentors).

By submitting a contribution students accept that they have to register to the conference and attend the workshop. Failure to register or to attend will entail removal of their submission even if formally accepted.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions about the PhD Colloquium should be addressed to either of the colloquium chairs.