



## ETD2005: evolution through discovery

### 8th International Symposium on Electronic Theses & Dissertations

Wed 28 - Fri 30 September 2005  
The Scientia, The University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia



## Expression of Interest & Call for Papers

### INVITATION

**We invite your participation in The 8th International Symposium on Electronic Theses & Dissertations, to be held at The Scientia, The University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia from Wednesday 28 – Friday 30 September 2005**

Hosted by The University of New South Wales (UNSW) Library and the Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL) under the auspices of the Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations [NDLTD]. The conference will draw on the long Australian tradition of passing on learning through the handing down of knowledge and skills.

It will look at customised innovative solutions which use the online environment to pass on knowledge to a global audience. It will consider new approaches to issues of access, outreach and the breaking down of barriers.

ETD2005 - offers some **important ETD firsts:**

- first in the Southern Hemisphere
- first in the Asia Pacific Region
- and possibly your first Springtime in Sydney

The Conference attracts delegates from all around the world and provides a wonderful opportunity to keep abreast of developments in this rapidly progressing industry.

### Conference Format

#### **Tuesday 27 September 2005**

Registration and welcome cocktails

#### **Wednesday 28 September 2005**

Full day conferencing and opening ceremony

#### **Thursday 29 September 2005**

Full day conferencing and conference dinner

#### **Friday 30 September 2005**

Half day conferencing and themed luncheon cruise on Sydney Harbour

### Conference Venue

The chosen venue for the ETD2005 conference is The Scientia, The University of New South Wales. Please visit the conference website for more information on the conference venue  
<http://adt.caul.edu.au/etd2005/etd2005.html>

### Why you should attend this conference ...

#### **This conference will:**

- be a dynamic mix of practical and technical sessions featuring a range of international keynote speakers
- explore innovation in the scholarly research process, promoting greater open access to the intellectual capital produced at universities and stimulating global collaboration via the web
- consider new approaches to issues of access, outreach and the sharing of knowledge, skills and expertise
- include an exciting selection of international keynote speakers and thinkers



## Sydney – Host City

There's nowhere on earth like Sydney, Australia. Sydney is the gateway to Australia, host city for the 2000 Olympic Games and home to the world's most beautiful harbour.

Sydney is one of the world's greatest cities. It is sophisticated, full of adventure and ever-changing. It is a city with everything: sunny beaches, world class sporting activities, a year round calendar of unique cultural activities and festivals, innovative restaurants, appealing clean city environment, world renowned shopping, friendly people and of course, spectacular icons.

We look forward to welcoming you to Sydney and to what we're sure is going to be a spectacular event.

## Expression of Interest in attending or sponsoring ETD2005 Conference

The Registration / Accommodation Brochure (which will include the program at a glance and details on all hotels that have reserved rooms) will be available online in May 2005. To ensure that you receive notification of the registration brochure available online please register your details online at <http://adt.caul.edu.au/etd2005/etd2005.html> and proceed to the Expression of Interest page.

Exciting sponsorship opportunities are available for organisations. Companies interested in sponsoring events at the conference should register their details online at <http://adt.caul.edu.au/etd2005/etd2005.html> and proceed to the Expression of Interest page.

## Call for Papers

We encourage you to submit an abstract to present at the ETD2005 Conference. Please prepare your abstract according to the guidelines on the conference website. Please indicate your interest in presenting at the conference by registering online at <http://adt.caul.edu.au/etd2005/etd2005.html>. We will record your details and keep you updated with all the exciting news about the conference as it progresses.

## Session Topics

The Program Committee has identified session topics for the conference; please visit website for further details.

Program themes include:

1. Keynote speakers - 'evolution through discovery'
2. Spaces & Communities - partnerships, collaborations, networks
3. Practical - developing, evaluating and adapting ETD programs
4. Technical - trends in, and emerging technologies
5. Poster Session - showcasing ETD programs & solutions

## Abstracts

In preparing your abstract please use the guidelines on the conference website prior to submitting your abstract.

Abstracts should be submitted online by visiting <http://adt.caul.edu.au/etd2005/etd2005.html> <<http://www.iceaustralia.com/ETD2005>> using the following form (link) and it is essential that your abstract is received by the Conference Organisers by **COB Monday 21 March 2005**.

You will be advised of the status of your abstract by Friday 22 April 2005. Review criteria will include relevance, originality of ideas, significance, accuracy and quality of presentation.

## Important dates to mark in your diary

- **By Monday 21 March 2005**  
Abstracts to be received by Organisers
- **By Friday 17 June 2005**  
Final papers to be received by organisers
- **By Friday 22 April 2005**  
Authors advised of status of their abstract
- **By Friday 29 July 2005**  
Deadline for confirmed speakers to register

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