

First Announcement and Call for Papers

Aims and Scope

The aim of this conference is to get together a group of people interested in the history of computing and the contribution this has made to modern society, and to enable them to communicate their research and knowledge of this area.

In 2010 the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) celebrates its 50th anniversary. The **WCC-2010 History of Computing** conference is sponsored by IFIP Working Group WG9.7 – History of Computing. At previous WCC events WG9.7 has run conferences on the History of Computing in Education, but at WCC-2010 this has been broadened to History of Computing.

The conference scope has deliberately been kept quite broad to include *all aspects of the history of computing*, such as computing hardware, software and computer applications (including education). In particular however, contributions are welcomed on the social aspects of computing – topics that deal with the people involved in the history of computing and the influence computers have had on society.

To celebrate IFIP's 50th anniversary WCC-2010 will also feature a series of history events called 'The Pioneer Experience' in addition to normal paper presentations. Although it is completely separate, our conference will co-operate with The Pioneer Experience and participants will also be able to attend some of these events.

Conference Topics

Appropriate topics for papers for the conference include, *but are not restricted to* the following:

- History of computer hardware
- History of computer software
- Important events in the history of computing
- People in the history of computing
- Histories of computing in different countries
- Social trends relating to the history of information and communications technologies (ICT)
- Influences that computers have had on society
- History of computers in education:
 - computer use in education
 - teaching about computers and their uses
 - teaching about the history of computing
- History of computers in other specific areas such as medicine, business, science, the arts, games, etc
- Histories of computer companies

- History of communications technologies
- History of the Internet/Web
- Historic artefacts and technology museums
- Approaches and techniques for making this history available and interesting to others

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Review Process

All papers will be subject to a process of blind peer review before acceptance.

Proceedings

All accepted papers will be published in a Springer book.

Instructions for Paper Submission

Papers must be written in English and should be around 3000 – 4000 words in length. At least one author of each accepted paper must register for the conference. Accepted papers should follow the publisher's guidelines (see www.springer.com/series/6102).

Please send your paper to: Arthur.Tatnall@vu.edu.au as soon as possible, and certainly by the deadline shown below.

Important Dates

Deadline for submission of papers:	31 st Jan 2010
Notification to authors:	17 th Apr 2010
Camera-ready copies required:	15 th May 2010