

Call for Papers: CPRF 2007

The Communications Policy & Research Forum

25 May is the deadline to submit abstracts and proposals for this national Forum to be held at UTS, Broadway, Sydney on 24-25 September.

If you haven't been before

You are welcome to propose a paper or presentation for this research-oriented Forum, where all viewpoints, disciplines and professions share ideas. The Forum is a co-operative effort by Australian policy and research centres. It is a national meeting-place for people with a serious interest in communications. You can check the record of last year's Forum with its 40 speakers and papers:

http://www.networkinsight.org/events/cprf_2006.html/group/7

Issues will include:

- Digital television, radio and online media
- Telecoms and media economics, structures
- Quality of journalism in new and old media
- Mobile and wireless networks and cultures
- User-led innovation and DIY media forms
- Internet communities, worlds, blogs and wikis
- Broadband, uses, users and infrastructure
- Other research or policy issues about communications. (This is an open agenda!)

Key dates and info:

25 May: deadline for abstracts/proposals

19 July: the program will be published

17 Sept: lodge finalised papers and slides
Refereed* papers in full text form are required by 14 August, not 17 September.

24-25 Sept: CPRF happens, at UTS, Broadway

Venue: Guthrie Theatre and precinct, UTS

Cost: \$450.00 per person, including lunch and refreshments on both days.

*Refereed academic papers

If you are an academic needing your paper refereed in accord with DEST-friendly rules, please specifically request when you submit your abstract. Please request only if you need it, to save the referees' resources. In the refereed strand, full papers are required by 14 August, for review before final submission on 17 September.

Web and print publication

Papers will be published on the Forum web page in September (unless an author asks us not to). Edited versions of selected papers will appear in the *Telecommunications Journal of Australia*.

There are no limits on proposals

Papers need not conform to any convention or format, academic or otherwise. Proposals for slide-based presentations or talks without a paper will be considered equally. What matters is intellectual rigour, clarity and policy value.

There is no required length for proposals or abstracts, but 500 words might be an average. What we need to read is enough explanation to rank your proposal against others. Criteria are the usual, such as innovation, policy importance and analytical strength.

More information

Click this link to the Forum web page or navigate via <http://www.networkinsight.org>. It has more background, details, and the online booking form.

To e-mail proposals or make suggestions for the program: cprf@canberra.edu.au

For inquiries about registration and attendance: c.abad@networkinsight.org

Although the Forum is a huge event, it is a co-operative, non-profit venture by researchers, with no secretariat. Please save resources by using email rather than telephoning.

The Custodians of the Forum are: Mark Armstrong, Trevor Barr, Reg Coutts, Franco Papandrea, Debra Richards and Christina Spurgeon.

The Academic Review Panel is: Professor Franco Papandrea, UC (Chair); Professor Trevor Barr; Assoc. Professor Terry Flew, QUT; Assoc. Professor Andrew Kenyon, Melbourne; Prof. Don Lamberton, QUT; Prof. Julian Thomas, Swinburne

Centres & Institutes Supporting the Forum:

- ARC Centre of Excellence for Creative Industries and Innovation
- Centre for Media and Communications Law, University of Melbourne
- Communication and Media Policy Institute, University of Canberra
- Institute for Social Research, Swinburne University
- Network Insight Institute
- Smart Internet Technology CRC