



The 14th International Conference on Product-Focused Software Development and Process Improvement

12-14 June, Azia Resort and Spa, Paphos, Cyprus

CONFERENCE BACKGROUND AND TOPICS

PROFES is the premier forum for practitioners, researchers, and educators to present and discuss experiences, ideas, innovations, as well as concerns related to software process and product quality improvement. PROFES 2013 will be the 14th edition of the conference and will take place at the Azia Resort Hotel in Paphos, Cyprus (<http://www.aziaresort.com>).

The technical program will feature keynote talks, research papers, and experience reports on the most relevant topics related to process diversity management. Empirical studies (i.e., experiments, industrial experiences, cases studies, etc.) are welcome. In addition, we will host a number of workshops and tutorials. We will also host a Doctoral Symposium. Details about the program can be found on the conference website.

The proceedings of PROFES 2013 will be published by Springer in the Lecture Notes on Computer Science (LNCS) series (<http://www.springer.com/computer/lncs>).

Traditionally, PROFES has provided topics that are up-to-date, important, and interesting. To ensure that PROFES will retain its high standards and keep focusing on the most relevant research issues, we are looking for original research on software engineering techniques, methods, and technologies for product-focused software development and process improvement as well as their practical application in an industrial setting. The topics of interest include, but are not restricted to, the following:

- Product quality models for software, systems, and services
- Project management techniques
- Service orientation and Cloud
- Software development for Cyber-Physical Systems
- Evidence-based Software Engineering
- Software Process Improvement (SPI)
- Agile and lean processes
- Global software development

- Outsourcing, near-shoring, and off-shoring
- Process modeling, management, and assessment
- Processes for COTS and OSS-based development
- Service engineering processes
- Software business models
- Industrial experiences and case studies on the topics above

SUBMISSION OF TECHNICAL PAPERS AND EXPERIENCE REPORTS

All submitted papers will undergo a rigorous peer review process. Papers will be selected based on originality, quality, soundness and relevance. All contributions must be original, not published, accepted or submitted for publication elsewhere. All papers should be submitted in PDF format through EasyChair (<https://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=profes2013>). The maximum length of the research and experience report papers is 15 pages. Submitted papers must conform to the Springer LNCS layout rules (<http://www.springer.com/computer/lncs?SGWID=0-164-7-72376-0>).

SUBMISSION OF OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

The submission details for short papers, posters, PhD descriptions, as well as for proposals for workshops and tutorials are available at the conference website.

TENTATIVE DATES

- Paper Submission Deadline: ~~Jan. 31~~, **Extended to February 17**, 2013
- Notification of Acceptance: ~~Mar. 18~~, **Extended to April 10**, 2013
- Camera-Ready Version: ~~Apr. 1~~, **Extended to April 24**, 2013

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