EuroPLoP 2017 - Call for Papers

22nd European Conference on Pattern Languages of Programs
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EuroPLoP is the premier European conference on patterns and pattern languages.

EuroPLoP focuses on giving and receiving feedback. Instead of presenting your paper at the conference, other participants will discuss your paper at the conference in a so-called Writers' Workshops to provide you high quality feedback for improving your publication:

- Accepted papers will be published in the ACM International Conference Proceeding Series
- Accepted papers qualify for a submission to the Springer journal LNCS Transactions on Pattern Languages of Programming (TPLoP).

Call for Pattern Papers

We encourage submitting pattern papers on software-related topics, as well as on other topics. We particularly welcome submissions on the following aspects of software theory and practice:

- Software engineering
- Software architecture and design
- Education and collaboration
- Business and organization
- Agile development and coaching
- Software quality and verification
- Requirements engineering
- Embedded systems
- Safety and security
- Web development and cloud computing

EuroPLoP accepts papers containing patterns or pattern languages, as well as papers related to the theory and use of patterns. EuroPLoP also accepts excerpts from PhD theses or book projects. In the past, many book authors submitted parts of their work to get feedback from the pattern community.

Submission deadline: February 6, 2017

Call for Papers on Applying and Identifying Patterns

In addition to papers containing new patterns and pattern languages, we encourage submitting papers describing the application of existing patterns in industrial projects.

Please submit:

- Reports on using patterns in projects, education or organizations
- Scientific studies on patterns and pattern applications
- Papers that present theoretical arguments about patterns
- Empirical evaluations of patterns and pattern languages

Submission deadline: ~~February 6, 2017~~ **extended: February 20, 2017**

Call for Focus Groups

EuroPLoP also welcomes focus group proposals. Focus groups are 1-2 hour workshop sessions where you present or elaborate a pattern-related topic. You can also propose and experiment with other session formats (e.g. fishbowls, collaboration sheets, six thinking hats). For your submission, please state shortly how you will organize your session, how much time is needed, and how many participants are required. Our focus group chair will support you in organizing and planning your focus group.

Submission deadline: May 1, 2017

Submission Details:

Submission format

ACM single column format (if you want to publish your paper with ACM).

Any format you like (if you don't want to publish your paper with ACM).

You submissions should be at most 10 pages, but we especially welcome papers shorter than that. It is also possible to submit papers longer than 10 pages, but we discourage you from doing that, because for very long papers it will, due to time reasons, not be possible to discuss all parts of the paper during the Writer's Workshops at the conference in detail.

Submission process

After the initial submission, your paper will be assigned to a shepherd, who is an experienced pattern author. This shepherd will provide you suggestions, which you can use to improve your paper. You'll then submit an improved version of your paper, which will then be reviewed. All accepted papers will be discussed in Writer's Workshops during the conference.

Your benefits when submitting to EuroPLoP:

High-quality feedback

All submissions will benefit from an iterative shepherding process prior to the conference. In this process, you will receive feedback and suggestions for your paper from an experienced pattern author.

At the conference, your paper will be discussed by peers and experts from the same or related domains in a so-called Writer's Workshop. You will get a lot of constructive feedback and comments that help to improve your paper. If you wish, you can additionally introduce your patterns in the Writers' Workshop with alternative media (e.g. a short videos clip) and you'll benefit from also getting feedback for this type of media.

Share and learn

Patterns are an effective way to share knowledge about a domain. The interdisciplinary topics of the conference will provide you new insights and inspiring ideas from other fields.

Theory and practice

EuroPLoP with its creative and constructive atmosphere attracts both, participants from academic and industrial contexts. You will be part of a unique community of thought-leading people like pattern book authors, researchers, and practitioners.

We look forward to receiving your contributions!

Important dates:

February 20, 2017:	Extended paper submission deadline
March 13, 2017:	Shepherding starts
May 1, 2017:	Second draft due for review
May 1, 2017:	Submission deadline for focus groups
May 15, 2017:	Paper acceptance notification, Registration opens
June 5, 2017:	Closing date for early registration
June 12, 2017:	End of shepherding
June 19, 2017:	Conference draft version due
July 12-16, 2017:	Conference
October 30, 2017:	Proceedings version due

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