

MEETING NOTES
SIGMIS Business Meeting

1. Welcome by Fred Niederman, ACM SIGMIS Chair

- There were 20 attendees present at the meeting including the ACM SIGMIS Chair (Fred Niederman), Vice-Chair (Leigh-Ellen Potter), Secretary-Treasurer (Jeria Quesenberry), the Co-Editors of Data Base (Stacie Petter and Tom Stafford), the SIGMIS CPR 2018 Conference Co-Chair (Daniel Beimborn) and the SIGMIS CPR 2019 Conference Chair (Craig van Slyke).
- Thank you to Tom Anderson-Monterososso and team from Prospect Press for being a sponsor and collaborating with SIGMIS CPR.

2. SIGMIS CPR 2018 Conference Report

- Thank you to the hard work of the SIGMIS CPR 2018 conference committee!
- *The Preliminary Outcome Report* was presented by Daniel Beimborn, Conference Co-Chair:
 - Daniel thanked everyone for attending the conference and making it a success.
- Conference statistics:
 - 51 participants and 9 Chairs representing the three world regions equally (<http://sigmis.org/sigcpr2018/cfp2018/conference-committee/>), PCs and DCCs representing both regular CPR and IT Health themes.
 - 23 paper presentations, 13 posters, 3 panels, 2 keynotes, 1 social event.
 - Overall acceptance rate 75%.

		CPR 2018	CPR 2017	CPR 2016
Papers	Submissions	52 (incl. posters)	53	28
	Accepted	26	31	16
	In Proceedings*	23	24	16
Posters	Submissions	(included in papers)	18	6
	Accepted	13	11	5
Overall Acceptance Rate		75%	63%	67%
Panels		3	1	2

*Differences caused by withdrawals or missing registrations and no-shows of presenters

- The 100 authors represented a global diversity: Most-represented countries in 2018: US (63%), DE (16%), SG (6%), IN (4%):

	CPR 2018	CPR 2017
Region 1 (Americas)	65%	32%
Region 2 (EMEA)	17%	17%
Region 3 (Pacific-Asia)	18%	51%

- Doctoral Consortium - We had 8 doctoral students and 4 faculty mentors at the consortium. The students were from 6 countries: Germany – 1, India -2, New Zealand – 1, Philippines – 1, Singapore 1 and USA – 2.
- The Magid Igarria Outstanding Conference Paper Award for 2018 was awarded to Stacie Petter for her paper “If You Can't Say Something Nice: Factors Contributing to Team Member Silence in Distributed Software Project Teams” <https://dl.acm.org/authorize?N651779>
- Best poster - during the poster slam, authors each gave a flash talk in addition to talking to people at the poster stands. Audience members received rating sheets to evaluate each poster and submitted those to be considered for selection of the best poster winner: Sara Moussawi, et al. for their poster “Improving Student-Driven Feedback and Engagement in the Classroom: Evaluating the Effectiveness of the Speed Dating Model” <https://dl.acm.org/authorize?N651701>

3. Upcoming SIGMIS CPR Conferences

- SIGMIS CPR 2018
 - Nashville, TN USA from June 20-23.
 - Conference Chair: Craig Van Slyke.
 - Conference committee TBD.

- Possible theme along the lines of ‘Enduring Issues’ and/or Data Base 50th anniversary. Areas to emphasize: (1) The conference is a home for people from a variety of interconnected communities of people and computing (for example: entrepreneurship, diversity, IT/occupational culture, healthcare, etc.). (2) The conference has a strong developmental aspect (the community is helping, accepting, collegial and help each other to build and improve their work). (3) The conference has a deep focus on mentoring DC students.
- The SIGMIS chapter in Nashville is no longer active. Tom Stafford will reach out the Memphis chapter.
- If you have an interest in playing a role of any sort in the planning and execution of the conference, please contact Fred Niederman (fred.niederman@slu.edu), Monica Adya (monica.adya@marquette.edu), or Craig Van Slyke (crvanslyke@gmail.com).
- SIGMIS CPR 2020 – Nurnberg, Germany, Date TBD (likely near ECIS). Sven Laumer slated as conference co-chair.
- SIGMIS CPR invites preliminary bids to host future CPR conferences. Bid submission details at: <http://sigmis.org/events/upcoming-conferences/>

4. Updates

4.1 Awards

- SIGMIS is proposing 5 new awards:
 1. ACM SIGMIS Early Career Award –
 2. ACM SIGMIS Lifetime Achievement Award –
 3. ACM SIGMIS Data Base Paper of the Year Award –
 4. ACM SIGMIS Data Base Senior Editor of the Year Award–
 5. ACM SIGMIS Data Base Reviewer of the Year Award–

ACM review has suggested a number of improvements in the award descriptions as submitted. Revised versions were distributed for comment. New versions were submitted at the beginning of July 2018.
- It was suggested to include download citations and any metrics on readership to help support rationale for the awards (Data Base and SIGMIS CPR have a very high proportion of ACM downloads in relation to our size).
- Please contact Fred Niederman with feedback or ideas about the awards.

4.2 Grants

- SIGMIS now offering funding for research on topics of interest to the IS/IT academic and practitioner communities <http://sigmis.org/research-funding/>. Up to \$3000 grants available per proposal – ½ upon awarding of the grant and ½ upon completion of the project, delivery of a working paper for presentation at a SIGMIS conference.
- 7 applications were received and 2 were selected. Winners will be announced on (or around) July 15, 2018.
- It was suggested that this be announced at ICIS when the DC award is made. Fred will follow up with ICIS to see if this can happen.

4.3 Viability Review

- SIGMIS was asked provide a written response to the ACM with an update on seven points raised by the SGB EC Viability Advisor and Director of SIG Services. Fred feels confident that our results over the last year put SIGMIS in a good position going through the review process. Our contributions to technical knowledge is very good.
- Jeria reviewed the current SIGMIS budget. Our fund balance is healthy. Budget details at: <http://sigmis.org/about/budget/>

- We have a projected fund balance of \$264,644 for Fiscal Year ‘19 (ends 30 June ’19):

2004=\$32,106	2005=\$30,639	2006=\$37,114	2007=\$28,078	2008=\$43,274	2009=\$50,665	2010=\$38,796
2011=\$40,751	2012=\$37,873	2013=\$37,053	2014=\$33,592	2015=\$28,692	2016=\$27,052	2017=\$22,766
2018=\$22,766 (projected)	2019=\$21,301 (budgeted)					

The Digital Library revenue is derived from demand, i.e., **downloads**, for our authors’ work published in *CPR Proceedings & Data Base*. Thank you!

- SIGMIS CPR conference details:

2004 Tucson (\$6,162); 58;	2005 Atlanta \$4,057; 48;	2006 Pomono \$4,224; 70; 59/49	2007 St. Louis (\$507); 73;
2008 Charlottesville \$3,649; 51; 32/23	2009 Limerick (\$1,911); 56; 40/28	2010 Vancouver \$5,803; 52; 29/28	2011 San Antonio (\$4,136); 48; 32/29

2012 Milwaukee \$3,771; 52; 36/36	2013 Cincinnati \$5,787; 47; 33/29	2014 Singapore \$1,373; 49; 35/26	2015 Newport Beach (\$3,054); 52; 47/26
2016 Alexandria (\$3,458); 52; 28/16	2017 Bengaluru \$8,131; 56; 53/24	Note: Values are surplus/loss in \$; attendance; submitted/accepted papers (where available).	

- SIGMIS is focusing on maintaining regular contact with its members. Indira R. Guzman, ACM-SIGMIS Information Director established a new Twitter account for SIGMIS. She is also working with SIGCIS on best practices. Jeria Quesenberry (jquesenberry@cmu.edu) manages a SIGMIS dropbox folder with materials – contact her for access. Follow SIGMIS on social media:
 - Twitter: <https://twitter.com/acmsigmis>
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/acmsigmis>
 - LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/5148399/profile>

4.4 In cooperation

Organizations / groups outside of ACM can apply to be a conference co-sponsor with SIGMIS (at no fee to the SIG). Thank you to Damien Joseph is organizing and tracking these requests. SIGMIS members can get the registration member rate at their conference. Details will be forthcoming to the SIGMIS website.

5. The Data Base – Special Issues / Initiatives

- Stacie Petter and Tom Stafford, Editors-in-Chief

5.1 Data Base is turning 50!

- The 50th Anniversary Issue will be published in February 2019. The issue will likely include written pieces from past editors about the journal’s past and where the field is going in the future. There may also be updates on topics addressed in the 25th Anniversary Issue.
- It was proposed to theme the SIGMIS reception (to be held Wednesday, December 12, 2018 in San Francisco, CA USA) at ICIS 2018 as a Data Base 50th anniversary party. The SIGMIS Lifetime Achievement Award (winner TBD) AND the AIS Best IS Publication Award (Fred Niederman, Tom Ferratt, Eileen Trauth - *On the Co-Evolution of Information Technology and Information Systems Personnel - The Data Base for Advances in Information Systems*) could be announced then as well. There was also a proposal to reach out to past members / attendants of SIGMIS CPR and invite them to attend to the social event.
- Data Base has a new logo! Please include it in your email signatures.



5.2 Invitations to Editors and Reviewers to Submit to CPR

- Stacie and Tom described Data Base's continued commitment to hosting a special issue with CPR submissions.
- Fred will email Data Base editors and reviewers encouraging them to submit or attend SIGMIS CPR in the future.

5.3 Access to Database from AIS members

- there are talks between ACM and AIS for an indexing agreement (may include citations and possibly abstracts) – such that scholars might use the portals to search and locate research in each portal – we are involved in delicate ongoing discussions which we are confident will be win-win for members of both AIS and ACM.

5.4 Initiatives to Promote Data Base

- Tom and Stacie have been very active at conferences to market the journal and promote the rich topics of work included. They also include regular updates on issues on AIS listservs and other areas.
- There is also new content in the journal – for example - Message from the Chair, Philosopher’s corner, etc.
- SIGMIS members can help! Please promote on your journal list at your home institutions. Also, cite Data Base in your work and encourage students to publish in the journal, when appropriate.

6. Miscellaneous / New Business

- IFIP – Historically SIGMIS has sponsored a member to attend IFIP 8.2 to promote relationships between the group. It was decided to terminate this funding until we can determine how best to foster these inter-conference relations and develop a transparent process to negotiate what is needed and how members are identified / funded.

7. Strategy

7.1 Home for Various Interests

- As previously noted, it was discussed that SIGMIS CPR should emphasize: (1) The conference is a home for people from a variety of interconnected communities of people and computing (for example: entrepreneurship, diversity, IT/occupational culture, healthcare, etc.). (2) The conference has a strong developmental aspect (the community is helping, accepting, collegial and help each other to build and improve their work). (3) The conference has a deep focus on mentoring DC students.

7.2 Reach Out to Doctoral Consortium Participants – Past and Present

- Jeria agreed to reach out to DC participants over previous years and ask when their dissertations were finished / published. The responses can be used to encourage submissions to Data Base and as vignettes on social media.

7.3 Conference Coordination Activities

- IFIP 9.1 or 9.2 on work has a preconference at ICIS – can SIGMIS co-sponsor or collaborate with them?
- It was proposed that a SIGMIS CPR program chair serve as a special issue editor for an issue of Data Base.
- It was agreed that SIGMIS should foster our focus on inclusion. It was suggested that we fold in PhD project even closer and perhaps co-sponsor a scholarship to pay for travel from the PhD Project and/or Pitt's i3. SIGMIS should keep in touch with the AIS social inclusion group.

7.3 New ideas

- ACM and/or SIGMIS can sponsor a practitioner oriented annotated bibliography on a topic of interest (e.g., Blockchain) – appended to the Digital Library.
- Growing SIGMIS CPR. There was a discussion about the ideal size (target size) for SIGMIS CPR? Consensus was somewhere over 50 people but less than 125. There was also a discussion to bring back co-chairs or have a continuity chair for SIGMIS CPR? How can we tap into multi-generational families (advisors or members who introduced you to SIGMIS) – but still be inclusive?
- Past SIGMIS CPR attendees: Approximately unique 200+ attendees to SIGMIS CPR between 2011 and 2017. Of these approximately 40+ of these have attended 2 or more SIGMIS CPR conferences.
- SIGMIS CPR 2019. The conference committee plans to reach out to local Nashville universities and local academics. Also, we should commit a keynote very early. It was suggested add a 'Return to Research Workshop' as a pre-conference workshop to help faculty revitalize their research and a joint panel at the end of the conference where authors and journal editors could collaborate.
- Have an idea of something you want to do – use SIGMIS as a platform to make it happen.