



Draft Call for Papers

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Just like standardisation and innovation have long been considered as almost mutually exclusive, so have been Open Source Software (OSS) and Standardisation. This former view has long since changed, the latter is about to change as well. This is not such a big surprise; after all, a common OS-implementation of a standard would be a great step forward towards interoperability. Moreover, just like standardisation OSS-development may be considered a platform for technology and knowledge transfer. Indeed, a certain paradigm shift may be observed, from ‘specification-first’ to ‘parallel’ and it looks like the two communities are in a very early stage of merging, at least selectively; stakeholders clearly overlap at both the corporate and the individual level. However, a clear interface between the two communities and processes is still missing and mechanisms for formal co-operation have rarely been implemented. Moreover, IPR issues remain a potential source of conflicts, as do the different forms of governance. And policy makers still need to fully endorse – and perhaps even enforce – OSS, especially in public procurement.

Against this background, EURAS 2022 solicits papers on the above theme. However, papers on other standardisation topics will also be considered. Sample topics include, but are not limited to:

Special Themes: OSS and Standardisation

- The interface between the two communities.
- Aligning the processes?
- How should a joint process be governed?
- Specification-first vs. implementation-first vs. parallel standardisation/implementation.
- How to address IPR issues?
- What does ‘open’ mean for both communities?
- Document-centric, code-centric or practices-centric
- Relationship with open innovation
- Cultural differences between the communities
- Relationships with digital protectionism or technological nationalism
- Membership criteria for SDOs and OSS communities
- Relationships with business model innovation
- Strategic aspects of OSS and standardisation
- Relationships with digital platform economy

General Themes

- Relation between standardisation and legislation
- Legal aspects of standardisation
- Political aspects of standards and standardisation
- Standards and trade
- Standards and/or sustainability
- Standardisation roadmaps
- Standardisation and Europe’s R&I agenda
- The impact of standards and standardisation
- Standardisation strategy and strategic alliances
- Standards and the transformation of organisations
- Standardisation and entrepreneurship
- Adoption/implementation of standards.
- History of standardisation
- Standardisation processes
- Standardisation for knowledge management
- Competition and compatibility among standards
- Quality of standards

Submissions

We welcome two types of submissions:

- Full research papers (up to 20 single-spaced pages);
- Practitioners' papers (up to 4 single-spaced pages).

Submissions should be formatted according to the guidelines, available at

https://www.comsys.rwth-aachen.de/fileadmin/downloads/EURAS_2022_Template.zip

Please submit your paper as .pdf files via EasyChair at: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=euras2022> (to be able to do so an EasyChair account will be required).

All papers will be double-blind reviewed by members of the Technical Programme Committee. All accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings, as part of the 'EURAS Contributions to Standardisation Research' book series. Particularly good and relevant papers will be fast-tracked to a Special Issue of the *Journal on Standardisation on 'Standardisation and Open Source'* (subject to the authors' approval).

Deadlines

Paper submission: 13 February 2022

Notification: 20 March 2022

Final paper due: 3 April 2022

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