

VoComp 2007

University Voting Systems Competition and Conference

July 16–18, 2007, Portland Oregon
www.vocomp.org.

Call for Papers and Technology Demonstrations

Innovative election systems and technology, and original papers on these topics, are solicited for VoComp 2007. VoComp will stimulate innovation and advancement of election technology, and encourage participation and interactions among students, researchers, and election officials.

Sponsors. National Science Foundation, Election Systems and Software, Hewlett Packard.

Eligibility. Anyone may attend the conference or submit to it.

Topics. Election systems, election technology components (including partial election systems), metrics for evaluating voting systems, and descriptions or analyzes of the competition systems. Any aspect of election technology, including by not limited to voting algorithms, user interfaces, accessibility, ballot casting, vote verification, outcome verification, policies and procedures, threat analyses, tabulation, voter registration, Internet voting, absentee voting. Papers on election technology components must be accompanied by working demonstration implementations.

Prizes. *VoComp Conference:* Best election technology component, best critique of a competition system, best paper on metrics for evaluating voting systems, best presentation. *VoComp Competition:* \$10,000 grand prize (courtesy of ES&S).

Important Dates. *Submissions Due:* 11pm EST, June 30 (no late submissions accepted).
Program Announced: July 3.

Instructions. Email your submission to dralansherman@starpower.net. Indicate type of submission: *formal submission* for inclusion in the on-line proceedings, or *informal submission* that will not be included in the on-line proceedings. Submission of previously published material, or simultaneous submission to any other conference, is not allowed. Papers accepted for the on-line proceedings may not be published in other conference proceedings in essentially the same form.

Conference Registration. Register from www.vocomp.org. Registration is free.

Hotel. Days Inn City Center, 1414 SW 6th Avenue, Portland, OR 97201 USA. Phone: 503-221-1611, Fax: 503-226-0447. Ask for VoComp Rates: \$64 single, \$69 double (if reserved by July 8, 2007).

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