Introduction to the Organizational Systems and Technology Track

The Organizational Systems and Technology Track contains the following minitracks:
- Community Informatics
- Creativity in Information Systems
- Data Warehousing
- Economics and Electronic Commerce
- ERP System Issues and Answers
- Information Systems in Global Business
- Knowledge/Technology Transfer and Adoption
- Moving the Organization to Convergent Technologies
- Professional Ethics in Information Systems
- Project Management
- Research Methods and Approaches
- Strategic and Competitive Systems
- Technology Management: Doing Business in the Knowledge Based Economy
- Topics in Organizational Systems
- Trends in Outsourcing of Information Systems

The Organizational Systems and Technology Track is the largest track at HICSS. It is also the most eclectic, ranging from data warehousing, to research methods and approaches, to creativity in information systems. Much like the information systems field, there are new topics this year, such as moving the organization to convergent technologies. Many of the topics relate closely to what is currently “hot” in the world of practice – e-commerce, data warehousing, ERP, and outsourcing. Others like project management professional ethics in information systems have a timeless value. The issues in organizational systems minitrack is also new and warrants special mention. In the past, many fine papers did not find a home at HICSS because they did not fit into an existing minitrack. This year, these papers were placed in the issues in organizational systems minitrack. Some of the topics of these papers may emerge in the future to be a minitrack.

I would like to express my appreciation to everyone who contributed to this track. Ralph Sprague continues to provide guidance. Eileen Dennis provides organizational memory and makes sure that tasks get done on time. The minitrack chairs believed in the importance of their minitracks and provided creativity and the hard work required to make the minitracks a reality. They later provide a brief summary and overview of the sessions in their minitracks. The reviewers selected the papers and their comments helped make the papers better.

I hope that you enjoy the track’s proceedings:
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