This minitrack is special. It is set up to provide a forum for papers in the Organizational Systems and Technology track that do not “fit” exactly in a specific other minitrack. We often serve as an incubator for new ideas.

Over the years we have actively solicited non-traditional, imaginative, and thought-provoking research in any IT area. We are particularly interested in papers that break new ground in new areas, or those that apply existing research to new industry groups or fields.

The papers that we accept generally have the following characteristics:

1. They are cross-disciplinary – can be disciplines other than MIS
2. They address current topics that are important to today’s managers
3. They have a practitioner “flavor.”
4. Case studies are welcomed, particularly if they propose questions that will stimulate discussion among session attendees.

This year we have accepted 6 papers that we believe have those characteristics:

- Perceptual Differences and Conflict in Packaged Software Acquisition: Results from a Multi-perspective Framing Analysis
- One Country, Three Types of CIOs: The Emergence of Technology Executives in China
- Process-driven Data Quality Management – An Application of the Combined Conceptual Life Cycle Model
- Rules of Efficiency or Legitimacy? Antecedents of It Outsourcing – a Longitudinal Approach
- Paving the Way to a [roductive RFID System: A Novel Action Research Based Study from Fashion Retail
- Does IT Reputation Matter? Role of Senior Executives