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Fifth International Conference on Information and Communication Technologies and Development

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta GA USA

Conference dates:	March 12-16, 2012
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Submitted papers are subject to a rigorous and selective double-blind peer review; accepted papers will appear in electronic conference proceedings. A subset of the papers will also appear in a special issue of [*Information Technologies & International Development*](#).

ICTD2012 is the fifth of an ongoing series of conferences occurring every one-and-a-half years; previous conferences have taken place in: [Berkeley](#), CA (USA) ICTD 2006; [Bangalore](#) (India) ICTD 2007; [Doha](#) (Qatar) ICTD 2009; and [London](#) (United Kingdom) 2010.

For the purposes of this conference the term "ICT" comprises electronic technologies for information processing and communication, as well as platforms that are built on such technologies.

"Development" means international development, including, but not restricted to, poverty alleviation, education, agriculture, healthcare, general communication, gender equality, governance, infrastructure, environment and sustainable livelihoods. Papers considering novel designs, new technologies, project assessments, policy analyses, impact studies, theoretical contributions, social issues around ICT and development, and so forth will be considered. Well-analyzed negative results from which generalizable conclusions can be drawn are also sought.

Relevant papers reporting high-quality original research are solicited. Full papers will be reviewed by a multidisciplinary panel, and evaluated according to their novel research contribution, methodological soundness, theoretical framing and reference to related work, quality of analysis, and quality of writing and presentation. Authors are encouraged (but not required) to address the diversity of approaches in ICTD research by providing context, implications, and actionable guidance to researchers and practitioners beyond the authors' primary domains.

Only original, unpublished, full research papers in English will be considered. Submissions not meeting a minimum bar of academic research writing will be rejected without full review. Papers should contain a maximum of 8000 words. Reviews are double blind, so papers should not include author names or other information that would identify the authors (references to previous work by the authors should be in the third person). Authors should follow [IEEE formats and styles](#). Samples of this are also available in [PDF](#) and [MS Word](#). Authors will be required to sign a copyright release for publication in the conference proceedings. Additional submission details will be posted on the conference website, <http://www.ictd2012.org>, as the information becomes available.

As a new opportunity for 2012, we are offering a peer mentorship program for paper submissions. Submit your paper early (by May 1st, 2011) to this program and get feedback from peer mentors ahead of the normal submission process and June deadline. Additional program details [here](#).

Atlanta is a world-class city with a rich and passionate history. Spring comes early to Atlanta; March is likely to be sunny, crisp, and pleasant. The conference venue is the [Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center](#). Georgia Tech is one of the top research universities in the United States, distinguished by its commitment to improving the human condition through advanced science and technology.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Peer review mentor program submission deadline:	May 1, 2011
Paper submission deadline:	July 22, 2011
Acceptance notifications:	September 16, 2011
Camera-ready papers due:	January 16, 2012
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