The ACM/IEEE Joint Conference on Digital Libraries is a major international forum focusing on digital libraries and associated technical, practical, organizational, and social issues. JCDL encompasses the many meanings of the term “digital libraries”, including (but not limited to) new forms of information institutions and organizations; operational information systems with all manner of digital content; new means of selecting, collecting, organizing, distributing, and accessing digital content; theoretical models of information media, including document genres and electronic publishing; and theory and practice of use of managed content in science and education.

The theme for JCDL 2011 is “Digital Libraries: Bringing Together Scholars, Scholarship and Research Data”, in recognition of the changes the digital age is now bringing to scholarship, broadly writ. Publishing models are changing, along with the breadth of digital material that must be managed coherently in the context of users forcing the move from information silos to a landscape of interconnected systems supporting scholarship for both research and education. Additionally in a number of disciplines we are seeing funding agency directives to include with primary scholarship those materials on which the scholarship is based such as data sets both in the sciences and humanities. Further, we are seeing more focus on requirements for managing data for use in the future by other scholars.

The intended community for this conference includes those interested in all aspects of digital libraries such as infrastructure; institutions; metadata; content; services; digital preservation; system design; scientific data management; workflows; implementation; interface design; human-computer interaction; performance evaluation; usability evaluation; collection development; intellectual property; privacy; electronic publishing; document genres; multimedia; social, institutional, and policy issues; user communities; and associated theoretical topics. JCDL welcomes submissions in these areas, and submissions associated with the JCDL 2011 theme of “Digital Libraries: Bringing Together Scholars, Scholarship and Research Data” are particularly welcome.

Participation is sought from all parts of the world and from the full range of established and emerging disciplines and professions including computer science, information science, librarianship, data management, archival science and practice, museum studies and practice, information technology, medicine, social sciences, education and humanities. Representatives from academe, government, industry, and others are invited to participate.

Some Important Dates
January 23rd 2011: Full Papers, Workshops, Tutorials, Panels submissions due
February 6th 2011: Short Papers, Posters, Demonstrations submissions due
March 21st 2011: Doctoral Consortium Abstracts submissions due

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