Call for Papers

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Information & Communications Technologies Issues in Greater China Region
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For the purpose of this special issue, the term Greater China Region refers to the geographical area of Chinese culture with regard to the economic development, not to political entities. This includes the economies of Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan, and extends to countries such as Malaysia and Singapore whose national economies are also impacted by and related to Chinese owned and/or managed businesses as well as large numbers of Chinese consumers. During the last three decades, this region has made dramatic progresses in economy, which has been increasingly integrated into the world economy. Driven by the fast growing economy, many companies in this region have launched ambitious strategic plans in Information & Communications Technologies (ICT), and governments have been pursuing aggressive policies to open up new business opportunities and to reinforce the development of the ICT industry specifically and the adoptions of ICT across industries in general.

This special issue is mainly concerned with the role that ICT have been playing in this process. It is the first global high-level journal venue dedicated to scientific research about ICT in the Greater China Region. Its publication and distribution is bound to show the world ICT applications situation and various issues in the Greater China region. It will provide academic researchers and practitioners as well as readers with a good chance to demonstrate high-quality scientific research works in this intriguing domain. It intends to leverage the global platform for peer exchanging.

The objective of this special issue is to attract high quality manuscripts that fit the theme of this issue, which is a forum for both academic researchers and practitioners interested in issues related particularly to ICT in Greater China Region. Papers of all methodological approaches are welcomed. Papers that do not have a clear Chinese context will not be considered for special issue. Possible contributions may include, but are not limited to the following:

- The economic and social aspects of ICT
- The impact of government policies in ICT industry and ICT application across industries
- Software industry development and strategies
- Intellectual property rights and policies
- ICT infrastructure
- Cultural aspects in ICT development, deployment, and acceptance
- Open source software movement
- IT Outsourcing and managing global outsourcing relationships
- E-Commerce /M-Commerce
- E-Government
- Web 2.0 and its implications
- Digital divide in rural and urban areas
- IT education issues
- Societal impacts
All papers should elucidate their unique contribution to the understanding of ICT issues in Greater China Region, and are also encouraged to relate their findings to and compare with other global economies.

The manuscript format is: 12-point font, double-spaced, in PDF or Microsoft Word document. Submitted manuscripts must be written in the APA (American Psychological Association) editorial style. Please look up this style. MIS journals using this style include *MIS Quarterly* and *Information Systems Research*. Footnotes are not allowed. Endnotes should be kept to a minimum; instead the material should be incorporated in the body of the paper. References should be listed in alphabetical order. The suggested length is about 20 pages not counting references, tables, and figures.

Each submitted manuscript should include a brief abstract (150 words or less). Separate sections should be created for acknowledgements, references, author biography or other relevant information. A cover page should be included with the manuscript. The cover page should include the title of the article, the date of submission and the following information for all authors: name, official title and affiliation, office contact information (address, phone and fax numbers, email addresses). The manuscript should have the title of the article and the abstract on the top of the first page of the manuscript.

All submissions will be subject to the same double-blinded, peer review process as normally used by the *Journal of Global Information Technology Management*. The special issue editors will screen submissions to ensure the submissions fit with the special issue, and select reviewers and manage the review process.

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2-page proposal by authors (optional) May 30, 2009
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