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The Open Search Foundation e.V. is a movement of people and organisations that work together to create the foundations for independent, free and self-determined access to information on the Internet. As a registered non-profit and in collaboration with research institutions, computer centres and other partners, we're committed to searching the web in a way that benefits everyone.

Dear Experts, Supporters and Friends of Open Internet Search,

We are pleased to announce the 2nd international Open Search Symposium (OSSYM) to be held at CERN, Geneva, October 12-14, 2020.

**Formats and submission of contributions**

We are calling for your active participation in the Open Search Symposium 2020 with scientific papers, sharing of practical experiences or by introducing concepts and positions during presentations and in the different interactive sessions. Full papers and abstracts presented at the OSSYM 2020 will be published in online proceedings following the event.

Please submit an extended abstract (1 page) or a full paper (4–6 pages) for any poster or oral presentation you are planning to present at the symposium.

Submission of abstracts/full papers **opened on 15 February** and will close on 15 June, 2020. All abstracts and papers have to be submitted at: [https://indico.cern.ch/e/ossym-2020](https://indico.cern.ch/e/ossym-2020) using the templates specified there.

On behalf of the symposium/organizing committee,

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For any suggestions and further ideas for OSSYM 2020 please contact us at ossym2020@opensearchfoundation.org.
Call for Contributions
Open Search Symposium 2020

Important Dates
Call for Contributions:
15 February 2020
Submissions of abstracts/papers:
opening 15 February 2020, closing 15 June 2020
Information of acceptance of contribution:
15 July 2020
Symposium registration:
opening 16 July 2020, closing 28 September 2020
(or when max. number of participants is exceeded)
Preparatory Web Meeting on Open Search:
26 May 2020, details to be published on this website
and to be communicated by mail
Open Search Symposium at CERN, Geneva, or via web:
12-14 October 2020
Online publication of proceedings:
(Extended abstracts/full Papers)
during winter 2020/2021

Main themes
- Cooperative, distributed web crawling, indexing and search
- Web Science, Web mining, content retrieval and analysis
- Distributed databases and systems
- Performance in web search, open source technology in web search, accessible search
- Cloud/cluster security, security of distributed systems
- Machine learning for search and retrieval
- Geocoding of web content and geospatial search/analysis
- Next generation internet
- Vertical search, SEO, search interfaces and business models
- Innovative search and web-index applications like research data retrieval, search for crisis management, search as as service, etc.
- Social, ethical and legal challenges

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