

Montréal in August has always been the place and time for serious markup geeks to meet, and this year there's an all-new conference for them.

Balisage²⁰⁰⁸

The Markup Conference

Balisage: The Markup Conference

Balisage is a peer-reviewed conference designed to meet the needs of markup theoreticians and practitioners who are pushing the boundaries of the field. It's all about the markup — how to create it; what it means; hierarchies and overlap; modeling; taxonomies; transformation; query, searching, and retrieval; presentation and accessibility; making systems that make markup dance (or dance faster to a different tune in a smaller space) — in short, changing the world and the web through the power of marked-up information.

It's an XML Conference. It's an XSL Conference. It's a conference about XQuery, LMNL, XSL-FO, XTM, RDF, SGML, SVG, MathML, OWL, XSD, TexMECS, RNG, and a lot more.

Call for Participation:

We welcome papers about document modeling, topic maps, markup of overlapping structures, ontologies, metadata, content management, and other markup-related topics at *Balisage*. If you want to talk, in detail, about DITA, XML, External Markup, DocBook, XSLT, NVDL, SGML, Information Architecture, LMNL, TEI, XSL-FO, RNG, UBL, XTM, XLink, RDF, Datatyping, XQuery, SVG, MathML, OWL, XSD, TexMECS, or any other markup-related topic, we urge you to participate in *Balisage*.

How:

Submit full papers in XML to info@balisage.net
Guidelines, details, and schemas at <http://www.balisage.net/submissions.html>

Schedule:

15 March 2008 Peer Review Applications Due
18 April 2008 Paper Submissions Due
20 May 2008 Speakers Notified
18 July 2008 Revised Papers Due
11 August 2008 *Versioning Symposium*
12–15 August 2008 *Balisage: The Markup Conference*

If you have any questions about *Balisage*, send email to info@balisage.net

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A one-day discussion of issues relating to revision, variation, and managing change in XML documents and vocabularies

International Conference on
Managing Change of
XML Vocabularies and Documents

Seminar Symposium

Versioning

International Symposium on Versioning XML Documents and Vocabularies

Monday August 11, 2008
Hotel Europa, Montréal, Canada

Things change, and sometimes things turn out to be different than we thought they were. (And sometimes we decide to revise them.) As a result:

- documents are modified
- vocabularies are revised
- document collections become heterogeneous

Call for Participation

Proposals for presentations at the *Versioning Symposium* may address any aspect of versioning XML documents and/or vocabularies. We welcome:

- Theoretical discussions
- Practical experience and case studies
- Product talks (if clearly identified as such)
- Discussions of:
 - design to accommodate change
 - change tracking and management
 - documents and document versioning
 - vocabularies and vocabulary versioning
 - management of document variants
 - varying requirements such as documentation of changing/multiple products
 - variations because of historical accident such as transcription errors

Proposals to participate in the *Versioning Symposium* are due on or before March 28, 2008.

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