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SRA 2019

Risk Analysis in the Data Analytics Era

December 8 - 12 · Arlington, VA

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

SRA invites your abstracts for presentations at the 2019 SRA Annual Meeting in Arlington, Virginia, USA, December 8-12.

We welcome contributions on any topic related to risk assessment, risk characterization, risk perception, risk communication, risk management, risk governance, and policy relating to risk, in the context of risks of concern to individuals, to public and private sector organizations, and to society at a local, regional, national, or global level.

The theme of the conference, "Risk Analysis in the Data Analytics Era," highlights the important role risk analysts have in tackling risk problems and improving the science and practice of risk analysis.

Abstracts are due no later than May 28, 2019, midnight EST.

Click [here](#) for complete submission guidelines and to submit your abstract.

Continuing education workshops will be offered on Sunday, December 8, and Thursday, December 12, in either 4 or 8 hour sessions. Click [here](#) for complete workshop submission guidelines and to submit your proposal. Continuing education workshop proposals are due no later than May 28, 2019.

[Submit Here](#)



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FIFTH WORLD CONGRESS ON RISK
DEVELOPMENT AND RESILIENCE
May 6-8, 2019 • Cape Town, South Africa

Register for the 2019 World Congress on Risk

SETAC Africa and SRA are pleased to co-locate and coordinate the 2019 SRA Fifth World Congress and the 2019 9th Biennial SETAC Africa Conference. This is the first World Congress to take place in a developing region, bringing together over 300 participants from over 40 countries.

The World Congress on Risk is organized by the SRA to grow innovation and knowledge across risk analysis and management communities, researchers, practitioners, policymakers and related stakeholders. The event seeks to stimulate ideas and solutions for regional and global risk challenges.

We are pleased to announce this year's keynote speakers:

- Nancy Beck, US EPA
- Niladri Basu, McGill University
- Lorraine Maltby, Sheffield University
- Phil Mjwara, International Cooperation and Resources Department of Science and Technology
- Zingisa Motloba, South African Bureau of Standards
- Titus Mathe, Eskom
- Ernesto Damiani, Khalifa University

Information regarding hotel rooms and ground transportation for meeting attendees is available on the meeting website.

Register

Call for Strategic Initiatives Proposals

To coincide with SRA's new Strategic Plan, the Society is launching the Strategic Initiatives Fund. SRA members are invited to submit proposals for project grants up to \$20,000 that will make a significant contribution to realizing the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan:

1. Enhancing risk science and the profession
2. Influencing and strengthening impact globally
3. Expanding the organizational capacity and efficiency of SRA

Submission deadline: May 1, 2019

To read the full Strategic Plan, [click here](#). For more information on the Strategic Initiatives, visit our [site](#).

Submit a Proposal

Register for the SRA–Europe 2019 Annual Conference

June 23-26, 2019 in Potsdam, Germany

"Systemic Risks: From Natural Hazards to Cyber Risk"

This year's annual meeting theme, "Systemic Risks: From Natural Hazards to Cyber Risks" is intended to showcase the wide variety of risk issues that threaten society today. These risk issues can only be addressed by the diversity of experience SRA-E members represent in terms of their professions, disciplines, methodologies, and nationalities. It highlights the vast array of topics that SRA-E members and meeting participants explore in their research and practice related to risk analysis. It also recognises the broader impacts of risk and viewpoints of people who analyse and experience risk to underscore the essential value of incorporating diverse viewpoints into all facets of risk analysis.

The SRA-Europe Conference in 2019 is open to all interested researchers and experts in the various fields of risk analysis. Industry representatives, governmental bodies and relevant public and private institutions are welcomed. Graduate students are also encouraged to participate.

Early-bird registration deadline: April 28, 2019

For more information, visit the conference [website](#).

2019 SRA Award Nominations

SRA 2019 Award Nominations. SRA is currently seeking member nominations for the following awards:

- Distinguished Achievement Award
- Richard J. Burk Outstanding Service Award
- Outstanding Practitioner Award
- Chauncey Starr Distinguished Young Risk Analyst Award
- Distinguished Educator Award

If you would like to nominate an SRA member for an award, please submit a formal nomination letter that describes the candidate's background and rationale for why the candidate should receive this award, along with any supporting documentation or secondary support letters. Only

current SRA members are eligible for awards and only formal submissions will be considered. **Deadline for submission is June 1, 2019.** Please send nomination letters and supporting materials to the 2018 Awards Committee Chair, [Jim Lambert](#).

2019 SRA Council Elections: Call for Nominations

The SRA invites nominations for the positions of:

- SRA President-Elect
- SRA Treasurer
- Councilor (three openings)

Please send nominations to [Margaret MacDonell](#), [Brett Burk](#) and [Jill Drupa](#). Nomination deadline: **June 1, 2019.**

SRA podcast series

"LET'S TALK RISK" IS AVAILABLE TO LISTEN ONLINE & DOWNLOAD

Let's Talk Risk with the Society for Risk Analysis, the world's leading authority on risk science and its applications, helps bring clarity to the world of risk, uncertainty, and ambiguity. Visit www.sra.org for more information on the topics discussed in these episodes and for more studies found in Risk Analysis: An International Journal.

Episodes available for download:

Ep. 1: [The Uncertainty Component](#)

- Ep. 2: [We've Been Underestimating Climate Change](#)
 - Ep. 3: [The Preservation of a Culture](#)
 - Ep. 4: [Clearing House at the EPA: An Attack on Science](#)
 - Ep. 5: [Infrastructure Management: Communities Can Profit From Disaster](#)
 - Ep. 6: [Boundaries in Risk Analysis: What's In and What's Out?](#)
 - Ep. 7: [Power Systems Resilience: Can We Rely on Renewables?](#)
 - Ep. 8: [Emotions Control Your Appetite for Risk](#)
 - Ep. 9: [A Paradigm Shift in Injury Risk Reduction](#)
 - Ep. 10: [Risk Science & the Regulatory Environment](#)
 - Ep. 11: [Building Urban Resilience](#)
 - Ep. 12: [How Do We Determine If Our Food Is Safe?](#)
 - Ep. 13: [Facing Extreme Weather: How do YOU Prepare?](#)
 - Ep. 14: [Risk Communication on Social Media: Making Your Messages Go Further](#)
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SRA Member Spotlight: Karen W. Lowrie, Ph.D., recipient of the 2018 Richard J. Burk Outstanding Service Award.

Karen is currently the managing editor for Risk Analysis: An International Journal and has served in this role since 2008. Since 2016, she has also served as the managing editor for the Journal of Planning Education and Research. Her research work is related to impacts of decision-making on the environmental and public health of communities.

Each month the SRA newsletter will feature one of its members and their work in the spotlight section. If you would like to nominate a member, please email [Melanie Preve](#).

Are you a member of another organization that could benefit from co-sponsoring an event with SRA?

For more information, and to apply for co-



Check out SRA Europe's new [website!](#)

sponsorship, [click here.](#)

Interested in hosting a webinar this year?

Please contact [Shital Thekdi](#) or [Royce Francis.](#)

Looking for a change? Check out
SRA's [job board](#) for new career
opportunities in risk analysis



Interested in learning more about extreme events?

SRA member Julius Weitzdorfer, University of Cambridge, recently published a book titled "Extremes" which explores 'extreme' events from a wide range of perspectives, including statistics, political science, climates science and war studies. The book includes essays from the 2017 Darwin College Lectures discussing events such as the election of President Trump, the Brexit referendum, the 2008 financial crisis, the Syrian war and climate change.

For more information on this publication, [click here.](#)

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