



## Information Systems Frontiers Special Issue on Global IT and IT-Enabled Services

### Introduction

As we are now experiencing globalization in virtually all areas in business and economics, globalized information management has become an important and interesting area in both research and practice. IT has played an important role in globalization. The advances of the Internet and mobile networks have linked the world together and enabled corporations to take advantage of talents and services available around the globe. Topics that can be categorized under global IT and IT-enabled services include global service outsourcing, business process management for global services, strategic issues in global services, global service development and management, distributed collaboration and communication, and global enterprise information systems. The global nature has made these topics more challenging given the technology, management, and operation issues that need to be tackled. In addition these topics are multidisciplinary and span across such fields as computer science, industrial engineering, information systems, management science and engineering, and operational management.

The Inaugural IEEE Symposium on Advanced Management of Information for Globalized Enterprises (AMIGE'08) will be held on September 28-29, 2008 in Tianjin, China. AMIGE'08 is part of the IEEE Congress on Services and co-organized by China Association of Information Systems (CNAIS). The objective of this conference is to gather leading scholars in the interdisciplinary study of globalized information management to share research findings and promote new ideas. The conference will organize special tracks on important themes surrounding global information management issues.

The special issue will be a collection of selected high-quality manuscripts from selected tracks in AMIGE'08 that are relevant to global IT and IT-enabled services. The guest editors will work closely with the track chairs and program committee to select the best papers from the relevant tracks. All invited authors will be required to substantially extend their papers and submit the extended version to the guest editors. All received submissions will be sent out for peer review by at least two experts in the field and evaluated with respect to relevance to the special issues, level of innovation, depth of contributions, and quality of presentation.

### Timeline

Emails sent to invited authors for submission to the special issue:	Nov. 1, 2008
Authors submitted extended papers to guest editors:	Apr. 1, 2009
Notification of first round reviews:	Jul. 1, 2009
Revised manuscripts due for 2 <sup>nd</sup> round review:	Oct. 1, 2009
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