

Deadlines of international symposium on rule based technologies have been extended by two weeks

- Submission deadlines of the International RuleML Symposium on Rule Interchange and Applications (RuleML-2008) have been extended to June 16, 2008.
- RuleML-2008, to be held in Orlando, Florida, October 30/31, 2008, is the primary practice-oriented gathering in the field of Web rule standards and rule and event-processing technologies.
- RuleML-2008 covers the whole spectrum of rule-related topics with a wide range of activities, including the presentation of peer-reviewed high-quality industry and research papers, software demonstrations, and invited talks given by leaders from industry and academia.

Bath, June 3, 2008 -- Due to a number of requests, the deadlines of the International RuleML Symposium on Rule Interchange and Applications (RuleML-2008) have been extended. The new submission deadline for papers and demos is June 16, 2008.

Collocated with the 11th International Business Rules Forum, the 2008 International Symposium on Rule Interchange and Applications (RuleML-2008) is the second symposium (after last year's highly successful RuleML-2007 - <http://2007.ruleml.org/>) devoted to work on practical distributed rule technologies and rule-based applications which need language standards for rules operating in the context of, e.g., the Semantic Web, Intelligent Multi-Agent Systems, Event-Driven Architectures and Service-Oriented Computing Applications. The RuleML symposium is a new kind of event where the Web Rules and Logic community joins the established, practically oriented Forum of the Business Rules community (<http://www.businessrulesforum.com>) to help cross-fertilizing between Web and Business Logic technology. The goal of RuleML-2008 is to bring together rule system providers, representatives of, and participants in, rule standardization efforts (e.g., SBVR, RuleML, RIF, PRR, CL) and open source rules communities (e.g., jBoss Rules, CLIPS/Jess, Prova, OO jDrew, Mandarax, XSB, XQuery), practitioners and technical experts, developers, users, and researchers. They will be offered an exciting venue to exchange new ideas, practical developments and experiences on issues pertinent to the interchange and application of rules in open distributed environments such as the Web.

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The Symposium gives emphasis on practical issues such as technical contributions and show case demonstrations of effective, practical, deployable rule-based technologies, rule interchange formats and applications as well as discussions of lessons learned that have to be taken into account when employing rule-based technologies in distributed, (partially) open, heterogeneous environments. We also welcome groundwork that helps to build an effective, practical, and deployable rule standard, improve rule technology, provide better understanding of the integration and interchange of rules, and make the current generation of rule engines and rule technology more usable for advanced Web and Service Oriented Architectures. More details can be found in <http://2008.ruleml.org/cfp.pdf>

Among the highlights of RuleML-2008 are keynotes presented by the following speakers:

- Michael Kifer (State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA), on "Rule Interchange Format: Not Just Syntax". This is a joint keynote between RuleML-2008 and RR2008.
- David Luckham (Stanford University, USA) on complex event processing.
- Paul Haley (Haley Ltd) on business rules.

- Benjamin Grosf (Vulcan Inc, USA) on the SILK KRR system of the HALO project.

Furthermore, there will be a Joint Lunch Panel with the Business Rules Forum about "Rules on the Web" and Lightning talks / Highlight talks on selected topics.

Another symposium highlight is the *RuleML-2008 Challenge*. It addresses the system demonstration for practical use of rule technologies in distributed and/or Web-based environments. The focus of the challenge is on rule technologies (including rule languages and engines), interoperation and interchange. The challenge offers participants the chance to demonstrate their commercial and open source tools, use cases, and applications. Prizes will be awarded to the two best applications. All accepted demos will be presented in a special Challenge Session. More details can be found in <http://2008.ruleml.org/challenge.php>

Accepted papers will be published in Springer LNCS proceedings, and a journal special issue (IEEE TKDE pending) is forthcoming.

The latest call for papers can be found at <http://2008.ruleml.org/cfp.pdf>
Submission guidelines are at <http://2008.ruleml.org/submissions.php>

RuleML-2008 is sponsored by Vulcan Inc (Gold level sponsor, pending), Model Systems (Silver level sponsor), and STI Innsbruck, ruleCore, and JBoss (Bronze level sponsors). Sponsoring opportunities: <http://2008.ruleml.org/sponsoring/>

RuleML-2008 will be held in co-operation with AAI, W3C, BPM-Forum, Business Rules Forum, ECCAI, OASIS, OMG, Dallas Rules Group, Belgium Business Rules Forum, MIT Sloan CIO Symposium, ACM, ACM SIGART, ACM SIGMIS, ACM SIGWEB, Open Research Society, IEEE Systems Man and Cybernetics Society, IEEE SMCS TC on Intelligent Internet Systems, IEEE SMCS TC on Distributed Intelligent Systems, IEEE Computer Society TC on Autonomous and Autonomic Systems. Media Partners of RuleML-2008 are Springer LNCS and MoDo Marketing.

The latest information about participation, sponsorship opportunities, the submission of papers and further details can be found on the symposium website at <http://2008.ruleml.org>
RuleML-2008 press releases can be found at <http://www.targetwire.com/vpo/rm/>

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About the RuleML initiative:

The RuleML initiative is organized by representatives from academia, industry and government for promotion of the modern and future generations of rule technology, which provides enhanced usability, scalability and performance. The goal of [RuleML](#) is to be a general and open intermediary between various "specialized" rule vendors, applications, industrial and research working groups and standardization efforts such as OMG PRR or W3C RIF.

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