



9th Russian Summer School in Information Retrieval (RuSSIR 2015)
August 24-28, 2015, St. Petersburg, Russia, <http://romip.ru/russir2015/>

Application deadline: ~~March 30, 2015~~ April 20, 2015

The 9th Russian Summer School in Information Retrieval (RuSSIR 2015) will be held on August 24-28, 2015 in St. Petersburg, Russia. The school is co-organized by the Internet Studies Lab at the National Research University Higher School of Economics in St. Petersburg (<http://linis.hse.ru/en/>) and the Russian Information Retrieval Evaluation Seminar (ROMIP, <http://romip.ru/en/>). RuSSIR 2015 will have an additional focus on social network analysis and graph mining.

The missions of the RuSSIR school series are to enable students to learn about modern problems and methods in information retrieval and related disciplines; to stimulate scientific research and collaboration in the field; and to create an environment for informal contacts between scientists, students and industry professionals.

RuSSIR 2015 will offer up to eight courses. The confirmed speakers include:

- * Panos Pardalos (University of Florida, USA);
- * Santo Fortunato (Aalto University, Finland);
- * Andrey Raigorodsky (Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology/Moscow State University/Yandex, Russia);
- * Athanasios Migdalas (Lulea University of Technology, Sweden);
- * Athanasia Karakitsiou (Lulea University of Technology, Sweden)

The full program of the school will be announced in the end of April, 2015.

Additionally, our sponsors will give talks on how they apply information retrieval methods in their production tasks. The Conference for Young Scientists in Information Retrieval will be organized within the school. Accepted full papers will be published in the Springer's Communications in Computer and Information Science series. The school will have a versatile social program.

IMPORTANT DATES

Application deadline: ~~March 30, 2015~~ **April 20, 2015**

Notification: May 10, 2015

School: August 24-28, 2015

PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHOOL

The target audience of the school is advanced graduate and PhD students, post-doctoral researchers, academic and industrial researchers and developers. The school will be open to about 100 qualified, motivated and pre-selected candidates. The working language of the school is English. Participation is free of charge, a limited number of accommodation grants will be provided. Similarly to the previous year, RuSSIR 2015 expects to obtain funds for supporting European students.

To participate in the school, fill the application form at <http://tinyurl.com/russir2015apply> by March 30, 2015. In particular, you need to provide the following information:

- Name, residence and affiliation.
- One paragraph description of what you expect to gain from attending RuSSIR 2015.
- A poster paper. Poster papers are two-page documents in English that describe applicants' early-stage, ongoing or completed research/educational projects. Research results published before and work in progress are accepted. Poster papers will be presented during poster sessions at RuSSIR 2015.
- Curriculum vitae.

In the application form, you can also mention if you need a grant.

ABOUT RUSSIR

The school series started in 2007 and has developed into a renowned academic event with solid international participation. Previous schools took place in Yekaterinburg, Taganrog, Petrozavodsk, Voronezh, St. Petersburg, Yaroslavl, Kazan and Nizhny Novgorod. Previous RuSSIR courses were taught by many prominent IR researchers and scholars from cognate fields.

ABOUT THE VENUE

St. Petersburg, the second largest city in Russia, was founded in 1703 as Russia's "window to Europe". Inspired by Venice and Amsterdam, tsar Peter the Great placed the new Russian capital at the beautiful delta of the Neva river, and gave a start to erection of hundreds of its magnificent palaces that still remind of its imperial grandeur. After yielding the status of capital back to Moscow in 1918, St. Petersburg has become Russia's major cultural center combining its fascinating Russian heritage with a distinctly European outlook. St. Petersburg's airport Pulkovo has direct connections with most European cities and major world centers.

Higher School of Economics (HSE) is a young and fast-growing university. Founded in 1992, it was awarded the status of National Research University in 2009. The HSE has grown into a

multiregional structure housing its education and research facilities in four campuses (Moscow, St. Petersburg, Perm, and Nizhny Novgorod). The HSE St. Petersburg campus was established in 1998. It offers high-quality education within its 7 faculties and 12 laboratories.

ORGANIZERS

- Pavel Braslavski (Kontur Labs/Ural Federal University, Russia), general chair
- Ilya Markov (University of Amsterdam, Netherlands), PC chair
- Panos Pardalos (University of Florida, USA/Higher School of Economics, Russia), PC chair
- Sergey Koltsov (Higher School of Economics, Russia), local chair
- Olessia Koltsova (Higher School of Economics, Russia), local chair

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