

**SIGMIS Annual Report**  
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**Mission and Overview**

SIGMIS is the Special Interest Group on Management Information Systems of the ACM. Members of SIGMIS are interested in information systems and technologies for management and the management of these systems and technologies. SIGMIS was founded in 1961 as the Special Interest Group on Business Data Processing and later was known as the Special Interest Group on Business Information Technology. SIGMIS publishes *The Data Base for Advances in Information Systems (Data Base, for short)* and holds the annual SIGMIS CPR conference dedicated to research addressing computers and people. SIGMIS also participates in the annual International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS) and the annual International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) TC8 committee, as well as other conferences. SIGMIS promotes student achievement and partners with other organizations to provide services to members and to the profession.

**Summary of Recent Accomplishments**

During FY'15, some of the major events and accomplishments of SIGMIS include:

- Held the SIGMIS CPR Conference June 4-6, 2015 in Newport Beach, California USA
  - Awarded the “Magid Igbaria Outstanding Conference Paper of the Year Award”
  - Held the SIGMIS Computers and People Doctoral Consortium
  - Provided travel grants to Doctoral Consortium participants
  - Held an Industry Panel and a Development Panel
- At the International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS2014) in Auckland, New Zealand from December 14-17, 2014
  - Sponsored the Doctoral Dissertation Paper Award
  - Held the SIGMIS Networking Reception
- Continued to represent ACM as a member of a select group to develop model curriculum for education in IS, both at the undergraduate and graduate level
- Continued to fund a representative to the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP)

**1. Awards**

Beginning with ICIS 1995, SIGMIS became the sponsor of the ICIS MIS Doctoral Dissertation Award. In 2014, the award was given to Kevin Yili Hong, Temple University, supervised by Paul Pavlou at Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA, for the dissertation entitled “Three Essays on Online Labor Markets.”

Beginning at the 2004 SIGMIS CPR conference, SIGMIS initiated the “Magid Ibaria Outstanding Conference Paper of the Year Award.” This year at the 2015 SIGMIS CPR Conference, the recipients were Tenace Setor, Nanyang Technological University, Damien Joseph, Nanyang Technological University, and Shirish C. Srivastava, HEC Paris, for their paper entitled “Professional Obsolescence in IT: The Relationships between the Threat of Professional Obsolescence.”

## **2. Papers**

SIGMIS held the SIGMIS CPR Conference June 4-6, 2015 in Newport Beach, California USA. The conference program is available from the SIGMIS CPR conference website at:

<http://sigmis.org/SIGCPR2015/> or directly at:  
[http://sigmis.org/CPR\\_2015\\_Program.pdf](http://sigmis.org/CPR_2015_Program.pdf).

Additionally, SIGMIS publishes *The Data Base for Advances in Information Systems (Data Base*, for short), a quarterly peer-reviewed publication devoted to communicating advances in research and best practice in MIS. Beginning in January 2012, the editorship transitioned to Co-Editors-in-Chief Andrew Schwarz, Louisiana State University, and David Salisbury, University of Dayton, who will complete their terms December 31, 2016. Corey Baham of Louisiana State University is the Managing Editor. For information about *Data Base*, please visit the SIGMIS website at: <http://sigmis.org/the-data-base/>.

## **3. Programs**

Since 2006, SIGMIS has held the Computers and People Doctoral Consortium. This year’s CPR Doctoral Consortium was held on Thursday, June 4, 2015 at the SIGMIS CPR Conference June 4-6, 2015 in Newport Beach, California USA. Beginning with the CPR 2011 conference, SIGMIS is providing travel grants to Doctoral Consortium participants.

Beginning at the 2012 SIGMIS CPR conference, SIGMIS initiated two CIO panels. In 2013 and 2014, these panels were transformed to an industry panel and a journal editor’s panel. In 2015, the industry panel continued and a development panel was added.

## **4. Service to MIS Community**

In conjunction with representatives of the Association for Information Systems (AIS), SIGMIS has been involved in the development of model curriculum for education in information systems both at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The latest version of the curriculum, IS 2010 Curriculum Guidelines for Undergraduate Degree Programs in Information Systems, was finalized. IS 2010 is available as a Communications of the Association for Information Systems (CAIS) article at <http://aisel.aisnet.org/cais/vol26/iss1/18>. On June 30, 2015, the first public deliverable of the Model Curriculum and Guidelines for Graduate Degree Programs in Information Systems 2016 was released for review and comments.

Additionally, the ACM and the IEEE Computing Society are founders of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP). IFIP acts on behalf of member societies in carrying out international cooperation to advance the information processing profession. SIGMIS continues to fund the attendance of the ACM's representative for one of the annual meetings of IFIP to promote involvement among the membership of SIGMIS and IFIP.

## **5. Key Issues**

We are working to increase attendance at our annual CPR conference by getting the CFP together earlier and disseminating it. We need to retain and attract new members. This requires formulating initiatives which will be seen as reasons to become a member. We are preparing a process for research funding, available to SIGMIS members. We hope this may be a vehicle for attracting new members. Also, we need to seek a new editor(s) for *Data Base*, to commence January 1, 2017.