

IRIS 2008 PhD Supervisors' Workshop

Date for part 1: XXX (part of IRIS, approximately 2 hours)

Date for part 2: XXX (part of IRIS, approximately 2 hours)

Call for participation

There are a number of Ph.D. consortia that have proven excellent fora for research students to discuss their work with eminent scholars.

The focus of the IRIS 2008 Supervisors Workshop is very different: it is to discuss the supervision process and the role of the supervisor. It is expected that both experienced research supervisors and less experienced academics will participate.

The workshop will be discussion oriented, fully participative. If many decides to participate we may break into smaller discussion groups looking at particular issues for presenting to the group as a whole.

Everyone intending to attend should express one item that they feel strongly about in the form of a one-page position statement. These expressions will be available at the workshop.

Potential topics for discussion in the workshop might include (but should not be limited to) the following:

- Factory vs. apprentice models of supervision
- Regional differences
- How to advise on research methods
- Supervisor's relationship with students
- How to combine an externally funded project with a Ph.D.
- Rules on publishing together
- Time management
- Examining process

Important Dates:

30 June 2008: Deadline for Position Statements –2-3 paragraphs on a particular view or issue that you would like to see being addressed at the workshop. Please note that we expect to be able to invite everybody who sends a position statement.

First day of IRIS Conference: Based on the position statements, a timetable will be published consisting of panels and workshops.

Send position statements to David Avison (avison@essec.fr) and Jan Pries-Heje (jjanph@ruc.dk)

The cost of participating in the workshop will be zero – it is a part of IRIS. It may be a good idea to obtain inspiration in the book that came out after a similar workshop a few years ago: Avison & Pries-Heje (2005). *Research in Information Systems – A Handbook for PhD Supervisors and their Students*. Butterworth Heinemann, Information Systems Series.

David Avison and Jan Pries-Heje