2nd USENIX Conference on Web Application Development (WebApps ’11)
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WebApps ’11 will take place during USENIX Federated Conferences Week, June 14–17, 2011.

Important Dates
Submissions due: January 21, 2011, 11:59 p.m. PST (hard deadline, no extensions, no exceptions, so don’t ask)
Notification to authors: March 17, 2011
Final files due: May 3, 2011

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Overview
The Web is now the dominant platform for delivering interactive applications to hundreds of millions of users. Such applications are now expected to scale effortlessly from tens of users to tens of millions of users in a single day while providing a responsive “always-on” experience. These demands, as well as the new possibilities opened by the proliferation of Web-capable mobile devices, requires that Web apps’ design and operation be elastic, failure-tolerant, and seamlessly scalable, supporting multiple devices and access methods.

Like the inaugural WebApps ’10, WebApps ’11 seeks to attract cutting-edge research that advances the state of the art, not only on novel Web applications but also on infrastructure, tools, and techniques that support the development, analysis/testing, operation, or deployment of those applications.

Topics
Possible topics include but are not limited to:

• Storage for Web-scale applications
• Techniques for testing and debugging
• Novel strategies for fault tolerance or high availability in Web apps
• The Web as an emerging platform in new application areas
• HCI techniques related specifically to Web apps
• Measurement, modeling, workload generation, and other tools to aid experimental research on Web apps
• New and unusual app features or implementation techniques
• Media delivery applications and infrastructure
• Client-side libraries, toolkits, plug-ins
• Server-side frameworks
• Languages and language engineering advances relevant to Web app development

• Deployment substrates and technologies (cloud computing, infrastructure as a service, testing as a service, etc.)

Submission Instructions
WebApps ’11 will consist of a single track of refereed papers. Papers with practical significance and/or working prototypes will be preferred over purely theoretical results. Submitted papers must be no longer than 12 pages, including figures, tables, and references. Papers should be formatted in two columns, using 10 point type on 12 point (single-spaced) leading, in a text block of 6.5" by 9". The first page of the paper should include the paper title and author name(s). Papers that do not conform to these requirements will not be reviewed.

In a good paper, the authors will have:

• Addressed a significant and challenging problem
• Devised an interesting and practical solution
• Clearly described what they have and have not implemented
• Demonstrated the benefits of their solution, through experiments and prototypes where appropriate
• Articulated the specific contributions and advances over previous work
• Drawn appropriate conclusions for the implications to the state of the art

For more details on the submission process, suggestions on how (and how not) to prepare a competitive paper, and templates to use with LaTeX, Word, etc., authors should consult the detailed submission requirements on the WebApps ’11 Call for Papers Web site, http://www.usenix.org/webapps11/cfp. Submit papers using the HotCRP submission form, also on the CFP Web site.

All papers will be available online to registered attendees before the conference. If your accepted paper should not be published prior to the event, please notify production@usenix.org. The papers will be available online to everyone beginning on the first day of the conference, June 15, 2011.

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Papers accompanied by nondisclosure agreement forms will not be considered. Accepted submissions will be treated as confidential prior to publication on the USENIX WebApps ’11 Web site; rejected submissions will be permanently treated as confidential.

Note regarding registration: One author per accepted paper will receive a registration discount. USENIX will offer a complimentary registration upon request.

Program and Registration Information
Complete program and registration information will be available in March 2011 on the conference Web site. If you would like to receive the latest USENIX conference information, please join our mailing list: http://www.usenix.org/about/mailing.html.