2014 USENIX Release Engineering Summit (URES '14)

Sponsored by USENIX, the Advanced Computing Systems Association   **June 20, 2014, Philadelphia, PA**

URES '14 will take place during USENIX Federated Conferences Week, June 17–20, 2014.

Important Dates

Submissions due: *Friday, March 21, 2014, 11:59 p.m. PDT*
Notification to authors: *Friday, April 11, 2014*
Program announced: *Late April, 2014*

Symposium Organizers

Program Chair
Dinah McNutt, *Google, Inc.*

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Overview

In the first USENIX Release Engineering Summit (URES '14), we will bring members of the release engineering community together to advance the state of release engineering, discuss its problems and solutions, and enhance the community of this quickly growing field. We solicit original presentations and discussions on a wide range of topics, but we particularly encourage presentations on novel, pragmatic approaches and solutions to vexing problems in release engineering.

Topics

Topics will depend upon the speakers and workshop facilitators scheduled. Suggestions include (but are not limited to):

- Best practices for release engineering
- Practical information on specific aspects of release engineering (e.g., source code management, dependency management, packaging, unit tests, deployment)
- Future challenges and opportunities in release engineering
- Solutions for scalable end-to-end release processes
- Lessons learned
- Metrics

URES '14 is looking for relevant and engaging speakers and workshop facilitators for our event on June 20, 2014, in Philadelphia, PA. URES brings together people from all areas of release engineering—release engineers, developers, managers, site reliability engineers and others—to identify and help propose solutions for the most difficult problems in release engineering today.

Submissions

Proposals may be 45-, 60-, or 90-minute formal presentations, panel discussions, or open workshops.

This will be a one-day summit. Speakers should be prepared for interactive sessions with the audience. Workshop facilitators should be ready to challenge the status quo and provide real-world examples and strategies to help attendees walk away with tools and ideas to improve their professional lives. Presentations should stimulate healthy discussion among the summit participants.

Submissions in the form of a brief proposal are welcome through March 21, 2014. Please submit your proposal via email to ures14chair@usenix.org. You can also reach the chair via that email address with any questions or comments.

Presentation details will be communicated to the presenters of accepted talks and workshops by April 11, 2014.

Tutorials

USENIX Federated Conferences Week will feature tutorials on release engineering, which will take place on Thursday, June 19, the day before URES '14. Interested in submitting a tutorial proposal? Contact tutorials@usenix.org.