

9th International Scientific Symposium on Logistics

June 13-14, 2018, Magdeburg

--- Call for Papers ---

Understanding Future Logistics - Models, Applications, Insights

1. Science in Logistics

The future of logistics will be shaped by the needs of society, the possibilities of technologies, and by newly invented or improved business models. We will see in the future an even more dynamic development than today. The interaction between requirements, process design, and technology will be tighter and therefore integrated models, which reflect these interactions, are of great value.

BVL International promotes through its Scientific Advisory Board the interaction of scientists with different backgrounds, because Logistics and Supply Chain Management are highly interdisciplinary fields.

The aim of the Symposium is to promote an exchange of ideas across specialties and geographic borders. Participants will present and discuss new models to better understand what is driving the development of logistics as a science and as a field of application. Researchers, scientists, and practitioners are welcome to jointly gain insights about the future of logistics. Magdeburg will be the venue for the next conference from June 13-14, 2018.

2. Topics and Call for Papers

We welcome contributions that explain what will be driving logistics and supply chain management in the future. Especially valuable are contributions that bridge the gaps between disciplines associated with logistics.

Many individual disciplines will have a significant impact on logistics in the future, including:

- urban logistics,
- future transportation systems
- logistics for manufacturing systems of the future,
- cross-channel and omni-channel distribution,
- platform economies,
- business models,
- risk management,
- cognitive systems,
- artificial intelligence,
- human-machine collaboration,
- robotics.

The list is not exhaustive, of course. We welcome any submission that contributes to the theme of the conference.

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3. Submission and Selection of Presentation Entries

We welcome papers from professors, postdocs, and Ph.D. candidates of all levels. Co-authorship is allowed. Participants must submit an extended abstract, which, if accepted, must be followed by a full manuscript. All papers must be presented at the Symposium, and all presentations must be accompanied by a paper. The name of the presenting author must be announced with the extended abstract.

Extended abstracts should be 3–5 pages in length, and should include the full names and affiliations for all authors. All submissions will be subjected to scientific review. Extended abstracts should be sent in digital form only to the head office of BVL at nehls@bvl.de. (A formal template is not available.)

All extended abstracts, papers, and presentations must be in English as the conference language will be English.

A special issue of "Logistics Research" will provide additional publication opportunities for selected contributions.

Please note the following deadlines:

- Extended abstracts are due: **December 15, 2017**
- Authors are notified of acceptance: **January 17, 2018**
- Full papers are due: **March 15, 2018.**
- **9th International Scientific Symposium on Logistics, June 13-14, 2018**

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4. Documentation

Papers proposed for the International Scientific Symposium on Logistics must satisfy scientific standards. Further information is available at www.bvl.de/issl. Final papers will be available in digital form published in the BVL Kiosk App and in the symposium's online library to mark the event as a volume in the BVL publication series. All papers must be written in English.

5. Terms and Conditions

By submitting a paper you accept our terms and conditions. Speakers at our ISSL will not need to pay attendance fees and we will accept one further free colleague or assistant. However, we are not able to reimburse traveling expenses and costs for overnight stays.

6. Concept Group

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