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Deadline for Paper Submissions: September 17, 2007 Program Chair: Kai S. Koong, University of Texas-Pan American

Competitive Papers. Papers or detailed abstracts are invited in, but not limited to, the track areas listed. All papers will be blind refereed electronically, and accepted papers will be published in the conference *Proceedings*. Abstracts should be of sufficient detail to indicate clearly the objectives of the research. Preference is given to completed papers. It is understood that submissions have not been previously published in a *Proceedings* or journal, nor are submissions currently under review for publication or presentation elsewhere. Submission of a paper implies that an author will register for the conference, attend the conference, and personally present the paper, if accepted. Concurrent paper, if submission/presentation of the same or similar paper at another conference is considered a breach of professional ethics.

Paper reviewers, discussants, and session Program Participation. chairpersons will be needed for a successful program. Please contact the Program Chair or one of the Track Chairs to indicate your interest by July 15, 2007. Symposia, tutorials, and workshops on current topics are invited. Please contact the Program Chair concerning these proposals.

Distinguished Paper Awards. Distinguished paper awards are once again being sponsored by Irwin Publishing, Inc., to recognize the outstanding papers submitted at the FBD conference.

Student Papers. Cash awards will be presented to the top three student papers. Papers submitted in the student track must be solely of student authorship.

Instructional Innovation Award. Alpha lota Delta is sponsoring an award that is intended to recognize outstanding contributions that advance instructional approaches within the decision sciences. The focus of this award is innovation in college- or university-level teaching. A plaque will be awarded to the author(s) of the paper judged best within the Innovative Education track.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONTRIBUTORS

- Author(s) should submit papers/abstracts via email attachment directly to the Program Chair at koongk@utpa.edu and drkks2002@utpa.edu. Abstracts should be a minimum of three pages; papers should not exceed twenty pages. The more complete and detailed the submission, the greater its chance for acceptance. Hard copies will not be accepted.
- Each submission must include a separate title page with the following information:
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- track (or topic) that best fits the submission
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- The main body of the paper, abstract, or proposal must have a title but should not include author name(s).
- All submissions must be received by September 17, 2007. Acceptance/rejection notifications, as well as publication guidelines, 4. will be provided by November 21, 2007. Submission deadline for the Proceedings is January 5, 2008.
- A pre-registration fee will be required before papers are accepted by the *Proceedings* Editor.

VOLUNTEERS: Anyone interested in participating in the program as a session chair or reviewer should communicate her/his interests to the Program Chair. A volunteer participation form is available on our website.