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Facet Theory Association

CALL FOR PAPERS

16th International Facet Theory Conference

June 26-29, 2017, Netanya, ISRAEL

New horizons for Facet Theory:

Interdisciplinary Collaboration

Searching for Structure in Content Spaces and Measurement

Organized by the Facet Theory Association

and Netanya Academic College, Netanya, ISRAEL

Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to attend the Sixteenth International Facet Theory Conference, to take place in Netanya, Israel from the 26th to the 29th of June, 2017. Facet Theory (FT) is a meta-theory for designing structural and other theories in the behavioral sciences. Basic assumptions of FT are that social and behavioral concepts are complex constructs and that their study, therefore, requires a systematic design for defining observations and for examining the correspondence between the observations and the theory. Because such a definitional design should facilitate the evaluation of systematic relations between the data and the theory, it should lead to cumulative results. In the above sense, FT is a systematic approach for coordinating theory and research. Thus, FT comprises the universe of observations, the population of respondents, and the range of observations. It stratifies these universes by facets and integrates the design by means of a mapping sentence which guides the construction of items and the formulation of hypotheses. Moreover, particular multivariate data analysis methods (such as SSA, POSAC, MSA) have been developed to test these hypotheses. However, to expand and enrich grounds of thinking and discussion, the use of alternative comparative methodologies will be illustrated too.

The aims of the conference

1. To present theoretical advance in Facet Theory, and related approaches.
2. To report cases of interdisciplinary collaboration in search of structure in content spaces.
3. To review recent and innovative applications of the Facet approach and related approaches in diverse fields, and to illustrate the contributions of these studies to cumulative science.
4. To demonstrate methodological advances in multivariate analysis, Similarity Structure Analysis (SSA), as well as comparisons with other methodologies.

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Conference venue:

Netanya Academic College, Netanya, ISRAEL

Submission of proposed session activities:

Proposed session activities are invited in any of the following formats (SIOP formats were adopted):

Debate. Debates are an engaging way to present opposing views about a topic. Generally, debate includes a moderator and presenters to represent each side of a controversial topic. The debate may consist of the moderator stating a proposition, one side presenting affirming arguments, and the other side presenting dissenting arguments. Alternatively, the moderator may pose pointed questions, whereby each debater shares his or her conflicting views of the topic. Time for rebuttal and audience questions can be incorporated. When submitting a debate proposal, please describe the topic to be debated, the participant compositions and format of the debate, the major points likely to be argued by each side, or the questions that will be posed to them, and the debaters' expertise related to the focal topic.

Debate submission requirements: ✕ 10-word title ✕ 250-word abstract

Symposium. A symposium is a multi-presenter session including a well-integrated set of research, practice, theory, or teaching-oriented content. Participants in a symposium should

include a chairperson and three to five presenters (five only if no discussant is included). A symposium often includes discussants, but it does not have to do so. The audience can also play the role of discussant while the chair facilitates the discussion. Audience interaction is a desired feature; please allow sufficient time accordingly.

Symposium submission requirements: ✕ 10-word title (please note that this applies to all individual presentations within the session as well as to the overall session title) ✕ 250-word abstract.

Roundtable/Conversation Hour. The typical approach for this session type is to have one or two experts on a focal scientific or practical topic serve as hosts. Members of the audience are typically seated in a circle to facilitate their active participation in the discussion with the hosts and with each other. This session type is well-suited to helping attendees with problems they are currently facing, discussing the latest developments in an area, and/or facilitating network development among people with similar interests. Proposals for roundtables/conversation hours should provide a focal point, describe why it is appropriate for this type of session, list one or two committed experts to serve as hosts, and provide background information about the expertise of each host on the focal topic. Although the expert(s) may wish to make a short presentation to begin the session, the majority of the time should be devoted to answering questions from the audience and/or promoting discussion and networking.

Roundtable/Conversation Hour submission requirements: ✕ 10-word title ✕ 250-word abstract.

Panel Discussion. In a panel discussion, the chairperson plays a very active role, serving as the moderator who asks questions of the panelists and ensures that all panelists (generally three to five people) have the opportunity to speak. Panel discussions should generate spontaneous interaction among panelists and between panelists and the audience. Diversity among panelists is important to the success of the session. Further, all panelists must recognize the need for advance preparation. A panel discussion proposal should describe the questions that will be addressed by the panel, the underlying issues or themes to be discussed, and the format of the session.

Panel Discussion submission requirements: ✕ 10-word title ✕ 250-word abstract.

Poster-Individual presenters. Several poster sessions will be organized to give participants opportunities to present individual papers. Poster sessions will be 50 minutes long. At each poster session, many authors simultaneously present their papers, primarily in a visual medium, with key excerpts from the papers displayed on large boards (8' X 4'). The audience circulates among the posters, and stops to discuss papers of particular interest with the authors. Papers submitted for poster presentation must represent completed work and be prepared according to instructions provided in the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th edition. Please note that non-empirical submissions advancing theoretical propositions are allowed. Top posters will again be featured this year during a social hour. No audiovisual equipment or electricity will be available for poster sessions.

Poster format submission requirements: 10-word title ✕ 250-word abstract.

Poster Symposium. Following participants' perusal of the individual presenters' posters, a discussion will be held between the authors and the audience for 30-40 minutes.

Poster symposium submission requirements: x 10-word title (please note that this applies to all individual poster presentations within the session) x250-word abstract

Workshops and Software Demonstrations. Colleagues interested in organizing a workshop or software demonstration should submit a 250-word abstract characterizing the workshop or software demonstration.

Important Dates

December 1, 2016	Submission of session activities
February 28, 2017	Notification of acceptance
March 31, 2017	Early registration deadline
April 15, 2017	Cancellation of deadline
May 31, 2017	Late registration deadline
June 26, 2017	Pre-conference workshop; Opening session; Welcome reception
June 26-29, 2017	Facet Theory Conference

Registration Fees (in US dollars)

	Early registration March 31, 2017	Late registration May 31, 2017	On-site
Regular	350	380	400
Retirees	300	350	400
Students	75	90	100
Accompanying person	120	120	120

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Registration fees include participation in all sessions and the gala event, daily breakfast and lunch, and refreshments.

Accommodation

Various accommodations are available near Netanya Academic College and at its dorms.

Details will be made available shortly.

Scientific issues (abstracts, submissions, program, session chairs, etc.):

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