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Joint Conference

Intelligence Education, Research, and Practice in the 2020s

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Call for Papers

Submission of Abstracts by: **1 March 2021**

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IAFIE

The International Association for Intelligence Education (IAFIE) – www.iafie.org – aims to provide a forum for the communication and exchange of ideas and information, advance the intelligence profession, and foster relationships and cultivate cooperation between intelligence professionals and scholars. IAFIE also aims to develop, disseminate, and promote theory, curriculum, methodologies, techniques, and best practices for pure and applied intelligence.

IAFIE Europe Chapter

The International Association for Intelligence Education Europe Chapter (IAFIE EC) – aims to advance IAFIE goals in Europe, building on the diverse models and rich experiences in the European continent.

The 2021 Conference

IAFIE and IAFIE EC are joining hands in organising a joint annual conference examining the intelligence requirements for the next decade 2020-2030, with its changing threat environment and fast developing technological advancements. The conference papers will reach out to other cognate disciplines for a multidisciplinary approach and

brings scholars and practitioners together for a blend of research and applied discussions on intelligence.

The conference invites scholars and practitioners in fields of intelligence, defence, policing, war studies, security, cyber security, risk analysis and management, history, legal reasoning, cognitive and experimental psychology, statistics, information science, and other fields to submit:

- Abstract for research paper/presentation
- Abstract for interactive workshop
- Abstract for poster
- Abstract for Panel of 3-4 papers

Abstracts are expected to address the topics suggested in this call or related topics. Submissions representing individual or joint scholars work, research projects, or practical experience in government or industry are all welcomed.

Authors of recent books, monographs, and thematic reports, which relate to this conference call, are warmly invited to join the Authors Roundtable. Please submit:

- Abstract for Authors Roundtable.

Conference Themes

I) The Impact of COVID-19

This overarching theme will focus on how the global outbreak of COVID-19 has changed the practice of intelligence operations, collection, analysis, and education and what impact it will have over the coming decade. When appropriate, those submitting papers for the other four themes are encouraged to address the COVID implications theme to some degree in their papers either by integrating it into the analysis or providing a short summary paragraph on "COVID-19 Implications" at the end of their article.

II) Intelligence Analysis

This theme aims to address the intelligence analysis process. The below list of topics is not exhaustive, abstracts addressing other related questions are welcomed.

- Share lessons and best practices on analytical methods and techniques with other disciplines/professions; such as financial crime, counter terrorism, insurance risk, aviation and maritime security, cyber security, public health and epidemics, etc.
- Draw lessons of theory from other disciplines; such as cognitive psychology, philosophy of science, statistical analysis, modelling, etc.

- Map and evaluate the current state of the art in source and evidence evaluation and examine challenges associated with OSINT source and evidence evaluation.

III) Intelligence Domains

This theme aims to address the intelligence domains. The below list of topics is not exhaustive, abstracts addressing other related questions are welcomed.

- Examine the current advancement in Imagery Intelligence considering the open source capabilities (Satellite and UAV) and analytical needs, and the scope for Outer Space Intelligence in an era of military space domain.
- Examine the role human intelligence as a support function for cyber intelligence.
- Examine the current developments and emerging trends in intelligence for Cyber Space and the interaction between cyber space, physical space, and outer space.
- Examine the current developments and emerging trends in Signal Intelligence and Measurement intelligence.
- Examine the needs of Counterintelligence and Security Intelligence in the light of current and emerging technological vulnerabilities and developments; such as Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things, Social Engineering, Online Psychological Operations, Smart Cities, Crypto Currency, and Drones.
- Map and evaluate the current state of the art in Open Source Intelligence and Social Media Intelligence and examine new methods and emerging trends in these domains.

IV) Management of Intelligence Community

This theme aims to address the management of intelligence community. The below list of topics is not exhaustive, abstracts addressing other related questions are welcomed.

- Discuss the challenge of formulating intelligence requirements and priorities in an era of hybrid threats.
- Examine intelligence consumers' – top level decision makers, senior professionals, and support staff - required skills and competencies to support their role in the formulation of intelligence requirements and appreciation of intelligence products.
- Discuss the challenges of integrating new methods and techniques in existing organisational standards.

- Examine best practices, approaches and challenges to evaluating the impact of intelligence on decision making.
- Examine and draw lessons from different ‘national’ intelligence cultures in Europe, America, Australia, etc.
- Examine and draw lessons from different ‘institutional’ intelligence cultures and models; such as law enforcement, defence, private sector, etc.
- Examine the different approaches to disseminating intelligence in a changing policymaker’s environment.
- Examine the institutional role in professional development; training, coaching, shadowing, mentoring, job swapping etc.

V) Intelligence Education and Research

This theme aims to address the intelligence education and research. The below list of topics is not exhaustive, abstracts addressing other related questions are welcomed.

- Examine the skills and competences of priority for education, and how university teaching can support their development.
- Map and evaluate the current landscape of university teaching of intelligence.
- Examine the challenges of teaching SIGINT and HUMINT in higher education.
- Discuss innovative teaching and learning approaches; such as simulation, modelling, war gaming, team-based learning, problem-based learning, etc.
- Discuss the intelligence research agenda and how it can support teaching and practice.
- Examine the collaboration between universities and government, and between universities and industry.
- Map and evaluate the current landscape of intelligence training.
- Examine the skills and competencies of priority for training, and how training providers can support their development.
Examine the skills and competencies of priority and best practices for educating, training and professional development of intelligence collection and analysis managers.
- Examine the role of universities, training providers, professional associations, and intelligence producers in communication with intelligence consumers.
- Examine approaches to teaching and training programmes certification and accreditation.

Administration

Submission:

- Please email your abstract to the conference program chair: [Randy Pherson \(rpherson@pherson.org\)](mailto:rpherson@pherson.org)
- Please email your general enquiries to: info@iafie.org; iafie2021@ecoleuniversitaireinternationale.net
- Abstract submission is expected to include:
 - Author(s) Name(s), Affiliation(s), and Contact Details
 - Abstract
 - ✦ Paper/Presentation Abstract: 300-400 words
 - ✦ Interactive Workshop Abstract: 300-400 words
 - ✦ Poster Abstract: 150-200 words
 - ✦ Panel Abstract: 500 words of the panel and papers included

Due Dates:

- Submission of Abstracts: by **1 March 2021**
- Notification of Acceptance: by **31 March 2021**
- Submission of Papers, Presentations, Workshop Material and Posters: by **1 May 2021**

Registration:

Registration information for the conference will be posted September on www.iafie.org along with further information and updates. Registration information for the Globalytica workshops will be posted in September on <https://shop.globalytica.com/collections/special-events>.