# **Call for Papers**

## Cranfield

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Call for Papers The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Manufacturing Research **ICMR2005**

Incorporating the 21st UK National Conference on Manufacturing Research NCMR



**ICMR 2005 6-8 September 2005** 

















#### Introduction

The International Conference on Manufacturing Research (ICMR) is an annual event, normally held in the early part of September. For many years, it was an UK National Conference that had successfully brought academics and industrialists together to share their knowledge and experiences. Now the conference has developed as a major international event with a growing number of international delegates participating to exchange their research findings with UK researchers and practitioners. The next conference (ICMR2005) will be held at Cranfield University, a distinctive postgraduate university focusing on engineering, management and applied science.

#### **Industrial Day**

This conference particularly welcomes presentations of industry related research projects. The first day of the conference (6<sup>th</sup> September) will be an 'Industrial Day' with keynote speeches from senior executives from leading world-class manufacturing companies, top government representatives and internally renowned experts. There will be exhibitions including the UK Engineering and Physical Science Research Council's (EPSRC), funded Innovative Manufacturing Research Centres (IMRCs) and commercial companies during the day. There also is a guided tour of Cranfield's world-class research laboratories following the presentations. Information is available on the dedicated conference website.

#### **Workshops & Special Interest Groups**

There will be special sessions and workshops, including:

- EPSRC funded Innovative Manufacturing Research Centres (IMRCs)
- Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs)
- Collaborative product development
- Knowledge management
- Enterprise resource planning for the 21st Century
- Cost engineering
- Soft computing in design and manufacturing
- Business process modelling
- Advanced manufacturing technologies
- IT for manufacturing
- Impact of globalisation

Further and updated information will be presented on the conference website. We welcome suggestions for more specialist workshops and volunteers to lead them. Please contact the organisers.

Papers are invited for ICMR2005 on the broad range manufacturing related research. Please refer to the conference themes, workshops & special interest group sections; further information will be added to the websi All papers submitted must be physically presented at the conference; no author may present more than tw papers. Full papers (maximum six pages) should I submitted by email to the conference co-ordinator. Pap formatting guidelines are available on the website.

### **Publication of Papers**

All papers will be refereed by international experts ar published in the conference proceedings. It is propose that selected papers will be published as a book by reputable academic publisher. Further selected pape will be published in special issues of international journa includina Advanced Manufacturing Technolog Production Research and Business Process Management



View from the River Ouse, Bedford

#### **Conference Fees**

The registration for the 'Industrial Day' (the first day the Conference) is £120. This includes lunch ar conference proceedings on CD. Registration for the fu conference programme is £385 including conference proceedings, conference dinner with other meals ar refreshments provided.

#### **Conference Themes**

National and international researchers and industrial practitioners are invited to present their innovative research projects in all aspects of manufacturing. The following are possible topics:

- Collaborative product development
- Innovation management
- Enterprise system implementation
- Product lifecycle management (PLM)
- Requirements and customer relationship management
- Knowledge capture, representation and re-use
- Intelligent design and manufacturing systems
- Soft computing in design and engineering
- Manufacturing systems and operation management
- Supply chain and logistics
- Cost Engineering and design optimisation
- Intelligent decision support systems
- Performance measurement and benchmarking
- Global manufacturing and business strategies
- Rapid product development and evaluation
- Quality management and Six Sigma
- Resource and capability management
- Project Management and process improvement
- Precision engineering and nano-technology
- Advanced manufacturing processes
- Sustainability and new design methodologies
- Small and Medium Enterprises
- Product data exchange and system integration
- CAD / CAM / CAPP / CAE / ERP
- Virtual environments and prototypes
- Lean and agile manufacturing
- E-manufacturing, e-business and virtual enterprises
- Manufacturing education
- Industrial case studies

#### **Important Dates**

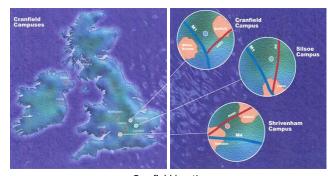
Full paper: 31 March 2005 Final paper: 31 May 2005 Registration: 30 June 2005



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#### **Conference Location**

Cranfield University is located around 50 miles north of London. Detailed directions and maps to the conference are available from the website. Cranfield is within one hour by car from Oxford and Cambridge. International delegates can arrive from any of London's five airports. Visits to London, Oxford and Cambridge may be arranged on request.



Cranfield location

#### **Conference Chairs and Co-Chairs**

General Conference Chairs are: Dr James Gao and Prof Peter Sackett

Conference Co-Chairs are:

Dr Tim Baines Dr Ashutosh Tiwari
Dr Ip-Shing Fan Dr Fiona Lettice
Mr Geoff Nelder Dr Raj Roy

Prof Paul Shore D

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#### **Conference Organising Committee**

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All conference details are available on the website, including submission requirements, paper formatting guidelines, contact details, locations and travel information.

#### **Conference Web**

www.icmr2005.org.uk or www.cranfield.ac.uk/sim/cim/icmr2005