



Preliminary Call for Interest

2004 AAI Fall Symposium Series

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The AAI Symposium Committee is seeking feedback on the level of interest for an AAI Fall Symposium in 2004. To ascertain whether a program of five to eight symposia is viable, the committee invites preliminary proposals for the 2004 Fall Symposium Series, to be held in early November in the Washington, DC area. The location of the event allows a one day session on funding for AI to be held the day before the start of the symposia.

The proposed series provides the AI community with a unique venue in which researchers from different areas of AI can:

- Present speculative work and work in progress
- Hold focused discussions over several days
- Build new communities for emerging disciplines
- Build ties between existing disciplines

The series brings together a set of two and one-half day symposia at a common site, providing a unique and intimate forum for colleagues in a given discipline. The series also provides an important gathering point for the AI community as a whole. The final program will include symposia on topics distributed as widely as possible over the subfields of AI, and balanced between theoretical and applied areas. Symposia bridging theory and practice and those combining AI and related fields are particularly solicited.

Preliminary proposals for symposia should be one to two pages, and should contain:

- A title for the symposium.
- A description of the symposium, identifying specific areas of interest, and, optionally, general symposium format.
- The names and (physical and electronic) addresses of the organizing committee, preferably three or more people at different sites, all of whom have agreed to serve on the committee.

Proposals will be reviewed by the Symposium Series Standing Committee (Chair: Holly Yanco; Cochair: Dan Clancy, NASA Ames Research Center, and Associate Chair: Marie desJardins, University of Maryland Baltimore County).

Preliminary proposals should be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than September 15, 2003. If the level of interest is sufficient, formal proposals will be due on October 13, 2003.

Please submit (preferably by electronic mail) your symposium proposals, and inquiries concerning symposia, to:

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