The Research Conference on Communications, Information and Internet Policy

2022 Call for Papers, Posters and Panels

Abstracts Due: March 15
Contest for Student Papers Due: April 30
Papers Due: August 1

Conference Date: September 16-17
Washington, DC. American University College of Law
https://www.tprcweb.com/

TPRC will include both an in-person and virtual component for the 2022 program.

★ TPRC 50th Anniversary

This year celebrates the 50th year of TPRC! From the initial conference in 1972, held in the old Executive Building with 15 presenters, TPRC has evolved to our current conference featuring over 90 paper presenters, panels and keynotes addressing increasingly important communications and Internet policy issues. To commemorate this special milestone, TPRC 2022 will explore and celebrate this rich history of interdisciplinary research and debate on policy issues. TPRC 2022 therefore encourages and welcomes abstracts for papers, posters and panel sessions that include both retrospective views on how TPRC has influenced policy development over the past 50 years as well as ideas for how TPRC may evolvein the future. Paper abstracts will be reviewed using the same blind process of all submitted proposals. Accepted papers will be eligible to submit to a TPRC 2022 special edition of the *Journal of Information Policy*.

★ Communications, Information and Internet Policy Research Submission Topics for TPRC2022

- Broadband Deployment, Access and the Digital Divide
- ICT and Gender, Race, Ethnicity, Diversity, Justice, and Inclusion
- Digital Economy
- Policy Implications of Emerging Technologies
- COVID and Disaster Response
- Satellites and Space
- Privacy and Security
- Intellectual Property
- International Dimensions of ICT policy
- Spectrum Management and Wireless Policy
- Big Tech and Social Media Policy Regulation
- Social Dimensions to Communications and Internet Policy

Special Topic: Retrospective Views of TPRC's Impact over the Past 50 Years and Its Future

For additional information on topics and how to submit, go to http://www.tprcweb.com/cfp-2022

★ Proposals

Papers & Posters

Authors may submit abstracts for research in progress, recently completed papers OR a poster proposal. Papers are appropriate for completed research papers, whereas posters are ideal for feedback on work-in-progress. If accepted, paper authors will present the completed paper in a 20-minute presentation with 10 minutes for questions. Posters are displayed at the event with opportunity for feedback and discussion. Participants will be asked if they plan to present virtually or in person.

Proposals accepted: February 15 - March 15
Notice of decision: May 31
Full papers due: August 1
Completed posters Due: September 1

Panels

Panels feature a 90-minute discussion with 3-4 participants exploring perspectives on an important and timely policy issue. See tprcweb.com/cfp-2022 for additional required information and structure of all panel proposals. Panels will be asked if they plan to present virtually or in person.

Proposals accepted: February 15 – March 15
Notice of decisions: May 31

Student Paper Contest

TPRC offers cash prizes of $1000, $500, and $300 for outstanding student papers. Award winners also receive complimentary conference registration, two nights lodging and travel reimbursement up to $750. The contest is open to all graduate and law students enrolled in the 2021-2022 school year. All co-authors must be students as well. Papers co-authored with faculty or other non-students are not eligible. For additional information on the student paper contest, visit www.tprcweb/com/CFP

Full paper due: April 30
Notice of decisions: June 15
To be considered for inclusion in the TPRC2022 program as a standalone paper, students must also submit their paper abstract through the general paper submission process as described in this Call for Papers.

Submission Criteria for Papers and Posters and Review Criteria is available at www.tprcweb.com/cfp-2022

Charles Benton Early Career Scholar Award

TPRC and the Benton Institute for Broadband & Society announce the fourth year of the Charles Benton Early Career Scholar Award, recognizing scholarship in the area of digital inclusion and broadband adoption. This special honor will be awarded at TPRC 2022 in honor of Charles Benton, a longstanding supporter of TPRC and tireless advocate for media, communications and digital equality. The award recipient will receive $1,500, will be recognized at lunch during the TPRC conference and will receive complimentary registration for the conference. A runner-up may be named but does not receive a Conference fee waiver and is not obligated to do a blog article as described below.

Application Criteria:
Scholars currently enrolled in a degree program or no more than five years from receipt of their most recent degree are eligible.

Acceptable submissions include:

- An original, empirically-based research paper pertaining digital inclusion and/or broadband adoption
- A policy proposal for digital inclusion and broadband adoption with a discussion of the justification
- An essay on a topic dealing with digital inclusion and/or broadband adoption.

Submissions must be less than 25 double-spaced, typewritten pages, including notes and references and will not have been formally published in a peer reviewed outlet prior to TPRC 2022.

The recipient will be chosen by a TPRC Board Committee and must attend the conference and agree to work with the Benton Institute's Executive Editor, Kevin Taglang, to produce a blog article based on the winning submission for Benton.org

Applications: May 30
Notice of Decision: July 18
Blog post: December 31

For questions regarding the Charles Benton Early Career Scholar Award, please contact Prof. Robin Mansell at r.e.mansell@lse.ac.uk

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★ Purpose

TPRC is a non-profit, nonpartisan organization which has held a leading academic policy conference on communications, information, and internet policy for 50 years. The annual conference is a cross-disciplinary gathering of researchers and policymakers from law, economics, engineering, computer science, public policy, data science, social sciences, and related fields working in academia, industry, government, and nonprofit organizations around the world. The conference is characterized by academic quality, intellectual rigor, mutual respect, and collegiality. Conference organizers strive for a broad definition of diversity, including but not limited to participant, viewpoint, discipline, background, geography and so forth. Proposals can be submitted to https://www.tprcweb.com/.