

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT & CALL FOR PAPERS



**EKAW 2008 - 16th International Conference on
Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management
"Knowledge Patterns"**

**September 29th - October 3rd, 2008
Acitrezza - Catania, Sicily
Italy**

The conference is concerned with all aspects of eliciting, acquiring, modeling, managing and exploiting knowledge, and the role of these aspects in the design of knowledge-intensive systems and services.

EKAW 2008 Key Areas:

Ontology Engineering and the Semantic Web
Reusability in Ontology Design
Ontology Matching
Hybridating Ontology Engineering and NLP
Semantics for Grid and Web Services
Knowledge and Social Networks
Knowledge Management
Knowledge Acquisition and Modeling

EKAW 2008 Program:

Invited Talks
Presentations of Research papers
Industrial Panel
Tutorials
Demonstrations
Posters

Proceeding will be published by Springer-Verlag in the LNCS series.

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Local Arrangements:

Jo Consulting, Catania, Italy
<http://www.joconsulting.eu/en>

Important Deadlines

April 1st, 2008

- Tutorial Proposals

April 14th, 2008

- Research abstract submissions

April 21st, 2008

- Research papers submissions

June 16th, 2008

- Poster submissions
- Demo paper submissions

August 2nd, 2008

- Early Registration

For submission info and more detailed time schedule, please refer to the conference website. <http://ekaw2008.inrialpes.fr>

Conference Location

Galatea Sea Palace
Acitrezza, Catania - Italy
<http://www.galateaseapalace.it/>

Only a few kilometres away from the city of Catania, in the beautiful frame of a Mediterranean garden, Galatea Sea Palace rises directly by the sea facing the famous "Faraglioni", at the foot of mount Etna. The wide range of services offered by Galatea Sea Palace is completed by an out-door swimming pool, a fully-equipped solarium and an exclusive FIV associated sailing club, with boat trips and canoe/boat hire facilities.

Acitrezza Town

<http://www.acitrezzaonline.it/>

Acitrezza is part of the Isole Ciclopi Protected Marine Area, a gem set in the heart of the Ionian coastal area of Sicily. Situated in an enchanting natural proscenium, it looks out on an underwater paradise set against the majestic profile of Etna, the highest active volcano in Europe. The area is crowned by a small archipelago. Rich in beautiful landscapes and archaeological and literary testimonies, the Protected Marine Area represents something unique, the theatre of exceptional geological events, preserving precious elements of vegetation and fauna. The Acitrezza village is located on the Sicilian coast few miles from Catania gorgeous ancient downtown, with many clubs and restaurants, and a marvelous cuisine. Acitrezza is only 10 miles from Catania international airport and 30 miles from Taormina.

