

The uses of argument

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The Programme Committee invites proposals for papers on any topic in the theory of argumentation. It particularly encourages proposals on the two conference themes:

- 1) the uses of argument (including taxonomies of the functions of argument and the implications of recognizing one or more identified functions of argument)
- 2) contemporary research using the Toulmin model for the layout of arguments, first presented in his *The Uses of Argument* (Cambridge, 1958).

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Abstracts, prepared for blind refereeing, must be submitted electronically no later than

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and should be between 400 and 500 words long. Submissions should be accompanied by a separate statement (maximum 300 words) of the author's relevant interests and background.

Graduate students* are also encouraged to apply.

(The J. Anthony Blair Prize is awarded to the best student paper presented at the conference.)

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