

**SIGMIS FY'06 Annual Report**  
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**Mission and Overview**

SIGMIS is the Special Interest Group on Management Information Systems of the ACM. Members of SIGMIS are interested in information systems and technologies for management and the management of these systems and technologies. SIGMIS was founded in 1961 as the Special Interest Group on Business Data Processing and later was known as the Special Interest Group on Business Information Technology. Today, SIGMIS has over 650 members throughout the world. SIGMIS publishes *The Data Base for Advances in Information Systems (Data Base, for short)* and holds the annual SIGMIS CPR conference dedicated to computer personnel research. SIGMIS also participates in the annual International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS) and the annual International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP), and other conferences. SIGMIS promotes student achievement, is a cofounder of ISWorld Net, and partners with other organizations to provide services to members and to the profession.

**Summary of Recent Accomplishments**

During the last FY'06, some of the major events and accomplishments of SIGMIS include:

- Held the SIGMIS CPR Conference April 13-15, 2006 in Pomona, California USA
  - Awarded the "Magid Igbaria Outstanding Conference Paper of the Year Award"
- In-cooperation with the International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS2005) December 11-14, 2005 in Las Vegas, Nevada USA
  - Sponsored the Doctoral Dissertation Paper Award
  - Held the fifth annual reception for SIGMIS members at ICIS2005
- Continued to represent ACM as a member of a select group to develop model curriculum for education in IS, both at the undergraduate and graduate level
- Continued to fund a representative to the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP)

**1. Awards**

Beginning with the ICIS 1995, SIGMIS became the sponsor of the ICIS MIS Doctoral Dissertation Award. In 2005, the award was given to Zan Huang, for his work entitled, "A Unified Recommendation Framework Based on Probabilistic Relational Models," based on his dissertation completed at the University of Arizona.

The recipients of the "Magid Igbaria Outstanding Conference Paper of the Year Award" at the 2006 SIGMIS CPR Conference are Margaret F. Reid, Myria W. Allen, Cynthia K. Riemenschneider, and Deborah J. Armstrong for their paper, "Affective Commitment in the Public Sector: The Case of IT Employees."

**2. Papers**

SIGMIS held the SIGMIS CPR Conference April 13-15, 2006 in Pomona, California USA. The conference program is available from the SIGMIS website at:  
<http://www.sigmis.org/Final%20Schedule-2.htm>.

Additionally, SIGMIS publishes *The Data Base for Advances in Information Systems* (*Data Base*, for short), a quarterly peer-reviewed journal devoted to communicating advances in research and best practice in MIS. For the current and previous issues of *Data Base*, please visit the SIGMIS website or <http://hsb.baylor.edu/database>.

### **3. Programs**

To promote professional interaction among SIGMIS members, the fifth annual reception at the International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS2005) was held on Saturday, December 10, 2005 in Las Vegas, Nevada USA, just prior to the conference December 11-14, 2005.

To be more inclusive globally, we are developing a new relationship with colleagues in Central Europe. This relationship began with sponsorship of the 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Business Information Systems, held May 31-June 2, 2006, in Klagenfurt, Austria. We are working with members of the Program Committee to include the proceedings in the ACM DL and hope to initiate a local SIGMIS chapter to further our relationship.

### **4. Service to MIS Community**

In conjunction with representatives of the Association for Information Technology Professionals (AITP) and the Association for Information Systems (AIS), SIGMIS has been involved in the development of model curriculum for education in information systems both at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Additionally, the ACM and the IEEE Computing Society are founders of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP). IFIP acts on behalf of member societies in carrying out international cooperation to advance the information processing profession. SIGMIS continues to fund the attendance of the ACM's representative for one of the annual meetings of IFIP to promote involvement among the membership of SIGMIS and IFIP.

### **5. Key Issues**

Advance planning for the annual CPR Conference continues to be a concern. Success of the conference requires both securing future conference program committees and attracting members to attend. With encouragement, a co-Publicity Chair thankfully sent a Call for Papers for the 2007 conference to the SIGMIS listserv June 12, 2006. However, neither the host nor the conference program committee for 2008 has been secured to date. The CPR Committee Chair was prompted on June 14, 2006 to secure a host. Advance planning must be taken.

We hope to be more inclusive globally. A new relationship is being forged with colleagues in Central Europe. We look forward to further developing this relationship.



