

TOOLS EUROPE 2009 ETH Zurich, Switzerland, 29 June – 3 July 2009, <u>tools.ethz.ch</u> Objects, Models, Components, Patterns

First announcement (deadline: 15 January 2009)

TOOLS EUROPE 2009 will be devoted to the combination of technologies that have emerged as a result of object technology becoming "mainstream". Like its predecessors, TOOLS EUROPE 2009 combines an emphasis on quality with a strong practical focus.

Started in 1989, TOOLS conferences, held in Europe, the USA, Australia, China and Eastern Europe, have played a major role in the development of object technology field; many of the seminal concepts were first presented at TOOLS. After an interruption of four years, the conference was revived in 2007 to reflect the maturing of the field and the new challenges ahead and has become a yearly event.

Contributions are solicited on all aspects of object technology and neighboring fields, in particular model-based development, component-based development, and patterns (design, analysis and other applications); more generally, any contribution addressing topics in advanced software technology fall within the scope of TOOLS. Reflecting the practical emphasis of TOOLS, contributions showcasing applications along with a sound conceptual contribution are particularly welcome. For a non-exclusive list of potential topic areas see the conference Web page. All contributions will be subject to a rigorous selection process – maximum acceptance rate of 25% – by the international Program Committee, with a stress on originality, practicality and overall quality. The proceedings should be published in Springer LNBIP. For detailed submission information see the conference page.

Tentative schedule:

Technical papers: January 15, 2009 Author notification: March 1, 2009 Camera-ready copy: March 31, 2009 Conference: June 29 – July 3, 2009 Tutorials/Workshop proposals: February-March 2009

Program chair: Manuel Oriol, York — Conference chair : Bertrand Meyer, Zurich

As in 2008, TOOLS EUROPE 2009 will host collocated events. Depending on the number of attendees, TOOLS EUROPE 2009 can refund keynote speakers travel arrangements, provide free registrations as well as help with the organization of social events. To organize a satellite event co-located with TOOLS EUROPE 2009 please contact Bertrand Meyer as soon as possible to obtain exact conditions.