CONFERENCE VENUE

The conference will be held on the campus of the University of Iceland, just a 20 minute walk from downtown Reykjavík. Easily accessible by air, Reykjavík is a 45 minute ride across lava fields and past huge geothermal pools in a land that captures the imagination. In addition to the conference rooms, located in buildings connected by open spaces and underground hallways, the University has a great common space with a sandwich shop, separate salad bar and a burger rathskeller. Activities will take place on campus and in a nearby hostel bringing everyone together throughout the week.

NEW FOR 2018: We are planning a plenary session that will be open to the public, drawing people from the university and city to see important work being done in System Dynamics. This will provide an opportunity to reach directly to the broader public and build interest in our field.

To become a sponsor of the conference, please contact a member of the conference team.

Visit Reykjavík Ragnar Th Sigurdsson

PRE-CONFERENCE CULTURAL EVENT:
INNIPÚKINN
AUGUST 3-5, 2018

This Icelandic event is an annual outdoor music festival, held in downtown Reykjavík, and throughout Iceland. The festival also features market events, pub quizzes, food events (BBQs) and more. Monday, August 6, is the national Icelandic holiday Frídagur verslunarmanna.

TENTATIVE DATES/DEADLINES

February 20, 2018	Opening date for paper submissions; workshop and session proposals
March 28, 2018	Deadline for paper submissions; workshop and session proposals
May 29, 2018	Notification of acceptance
June 20, 2018	Presenter registration deadline
June 27, 2018	Tentative program schedule available
July 10, 2018	Conference registration fee increase
August 3-5, 2018	Summer School
August 6, 2018	Monday: System Dynamics Colloquium Policy Council Meeting
August 7, 2018	Conference Opening!

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OVERVIEW

As System Dynamics moves into its seventh decade, improved understanding of the world around us has never been more important. This need resonates across disciplines and from K-12 to academia to business and government. It calls for us to consider impacts of accumulation, feedback, and time delays while systematically evaluating policies for sustainable business practices, resource use, education, health care, and prosperity.

We invite seasoned practitioners to share their important contributions to the field. We also invite those new to System Dynamics to learn about the powerful analytical techniques and insights developed over six decades of accomplishments. Through showcased work in plenary, parallel and poster sessions, in skill building workshops, and in those ever important side conversations, we welcome you.

PROGRAM

The conference program consists of invited and contributed sessions and workshops demonstrating the state of the art in the theory and application of System Dynamics. We welcome all research and documented consulting activities in System Dynamics, including applications of the methodology to solve real-world problems, new technical and software developments, and productive integration of complementary methodologies.

A highlight of the conference program is the *Model Expo*, where participants get a chance to talk with others about how their models work, and get important feedback.

The conference schedule is organized by thread so as to create coherent sessions for presentation.
The tentative list of threads for 2018:

- Business
- Economics
- Environment
- Health
- Human Behavior
- Information and Knowledge
- Learning and Teaching
- Methodology
- Operations
- Public Policy
- Resources
- Security
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Strategy

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SCHOLARSHIPS

A limited number of partial scholarships will be available. To apply, please provide a short paragraph describing why support is needed and what special contribution you will make to the conference or take back from the conference to your home community.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Academics: Communicate your results and find out about research being conducted around the world.

Consultants: Demonstrate the power of System Dynamics in client work and see what others are doing.

Practitioners: Show what is being done in your organization and learn what is happening elsewhere.

Graduate Students: Share your research, get feedback, and meet potential collaborators.

Educators: Let people know what you are doing and see what is being done with students at all levels.

Managers/Policy Makers: Tell others what you value and discover new directions for your organization.

SUBMITTING WORK

Material can be submitted at conference.systemdynamics.org.

Submissions can be made from **February 20, 2018 to March 28, 2018.** Selection of work to be presented in full will be based on the review of a properly written research paper between 5 and 30 pages in length or, as an alternative for applications, a set of slides with sufficient detail to full describe the application. For work in progress, and other material that will be presented in an abbreviated form, a two page abstract is required.

Provision of models, and other supporting material, to aid the review process is strongly encouraged and will be a factor in selection.

The Program Committee will determine what to include in the program and the form of presentation. Acceptance notices will be sent by May 29, 2018.

Authors retain the copyright to all submitted work and, by submitting, grant permission for inclusion of their title, abstract, and author names in the conference record. Each submission must have a designated presenter and normally one individual can be a designated presenter for at most two works. Presenters not registered by June 20, 2018 will have their work automatically removed from the schedule. All attendees, whether presenting or not, must register for the conference.

WORKSHOP/ SPECIAL PROPOSALS

Proposals for workshops and tutorials are welcome and can be submitted online between February 20, 2018 and March 28, 2018. Special proposals for plenary or parallel sessions, panel discussions, roundtables, and other pre- or post-conference activities are encouraged.

Please provide a clear description and, when appropriate, include the names of speakers and the titles of papers that would be part of the session. **Proposals should be sent to progchair@systemdynamics.org.**

Good work in System Dynamics is often relevant to multiple communities. The conference promotes the diffusion of knowledge generally and System Dynamics particularly. Work that has been submitted to, accepted for, or already presented at another conference, or accepted but not yet published in a journal, will be considered. An article already published in a journal in English should not be submitted.

REAL-WORLD PRACTICE

System Dynamics is aimed at solving important practical problems. We welcome people interested in such real-world applications. If you have ideas for sessions and workshops focused on addressing practical issues in specific commercial or scientific fields, please contact us.

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