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Track: Electronic Government

Minitrack: Social Networking and Government

Social Networks have received a lot of attention in the last decade. Sites such as MySpace, Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn provide a mechanism for individuals to come together based on a variety of factors such as existing friendships, common interests, or work. People have discovered how the use of social networks can facilitate communication and the exchange/sharing of thoughts and ideas. Governments have also discovered the potential for these sites to aid in government information sharing and outreach. At the same time, issues surrounding privacy, information leakage, blurred boundaries, and online addiction must be addressed when discussing social networks.

This minitrack is open to papers that cover all aspects of social networking, especially as they relate to electronic government. Topics include, but are not limited to:

- Case studies of the use of social networks by any level of government
- Implementation challenges
- Maintaining privacy in social networks
- Patterns and trends in social networking
- Social networks as a means to conduct information sharing
- Leakage of organizational information through social networks
- Trust and information credibility in social networks
- Social Networks and 'information overload'
- Mobile social networking

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