

FISSEA's 2009 Annual Conference

“Awareness, Training, and Education - The Catalyst for Organizational Change”

Call for Participation

The Federal Information Systems Security Educators' Association (FISSEA) is holding its 22nd Annual Conference on Tuesday thru Thursday, 24-26 March 2009, at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Gaithersburg, Maryland. FISSEA is a national forum for government, industry, and academic managers, educators, and researchers involved with information security awareness, training, education, and professionalization.

Proposals are invited at this time. Presentation topics may span the full range of FISSEA's mission, including (but not limited to):

awareness programs	training methods	educational activities
professional certification	security labs	compliance regulations
organizational impacts of these programs	management of information security programs and personnel	information security and assurance curricula
supporting technologies (e.g.: network, wireless, encryption, vulnerability tools, intrusion response, educational tools),	emerging technologies	etc.

Presentations are requested from all of FISSEA's membership: Federal and other Government organizations; Contractors and Vendors of related products; Educators and Researchers, at all levels from new employee thru management and technical.

FISSEA encourages you to submit an abstract that details what would be included in your presentation. Please submit separate proposals if you wish to be considered for more than one presentation. If you would like to speak to your peers about some of the above or related subjects, we await your proposal. The following dates will be adhered to by conference organizers and our Proposal Judging Panel:

26 September 2008	– Deadline for Abstract Submissions
28 November 2008	– Acceptance Notifications will be posted
30 January 2009	-- Deadline for Receipt of Final Presentation Slides/Papers
24-26 March 2009	-- Presentations during FISSEA's Annual Conference

It must be emphasized that no “sales pitches” are permitted. Those wishing a forum to demonstrate tools to our attendees and/or solicit business are welcome to participate in our Vendor Showcase on Wednesday, 25 March 2009. You may express your interest by replying to this message but you will be separately contacted for the Showcase activity. In 2008, a dozen organizations displayed their wares to our actively interested attendees during the Showcase.

Submission Details

General Information:

Be aware that FISSEA is seeking actual presentations, not papers for inclusion in our Proceedings. If you submit a proposal, we will assume that you will be available to present a talk or panel on the subject.

Important dates, shown above, are to be adhered to.

Submissions should be sent to the following e-address: fissea09call@nist.gov

Kindly specify on the Subject Line the type of offering: Podium, Panel, Keynote, etc.

Should you have questions, problems, or concerns, you may contact either:

Louis Numkin, CISM, at LMN@JUNO.COM or

Captain Cheryl Seaman, at SEAMANC@MAIL.NIH.GOV

Specific Information:

Presentations will be limited to 25 or 50 minute sessions. This should include Q&A, as appropriate. The Conference Committee will review, rank, and select all received proposals. Speaker attendance and participation throughout the Conference is not required, though encouraged.

All Proposals should include the following in the body of the covering e-mail:

Topic Title; Presenter's Name and Organizational Affiliation(s); Full Postal Address; E-Mail Address; Telephone Number.

If there is a co-presenter or additional author, the same information is requested with recognition of which person is the Primary.

An attachment, composed in MS-Word or PDF format, should then be attached to the covering e-mail, as follows:

Podium Presentations - An Abstract or Outline of the presentation (no more than 400 words) should be attached to the covering e-mail.

Tutorials and Demonstrations – Presentations which showcase interactive security awareness and educational environments are highly encouraged. In no more than 400 words, please include: topic(s) to be covered, target audience, and preferred prerequisite(s).

Panel Presentations – Will be allocated 50 minutes. Panels should examine innovative, promising, or controversial issues related to the FISSEA mission, and could deal with challenges and future problems and potential solutions. Audience interaction is encouraged. A 400 word explanatory proposal should be submitted.

Keynote Speakers – Keynote presentations are planned to start each of the three conference days. If you are or know of someone who should be considered, please contact:

Louis Numkin (LMN@JUNO.COM) or Cheryl Seaman (SEAMANC@MAIL.NIH.GOV).

FISSEA thanks you for your interest and welcomes your proposals. The Conference Committee will reply to submitters with comments, as appropriate, to help hone topics. Selected presentations will be ranked as primary and backup/alternate and notice given to the proposer. Speakers are encouraged to attend and participate in the whole conference but if this is not possible free admission is afforded to those who can only be present for their presentation's duration.



General organizational information on FISSEA and past conferences may be found at:
www.FISSEA.org or <http://csrc.nist.gov/FISSEA>