



## Call for papers and posters for the Research Track at the 5<sup>th</sup> World Customs Organization Technology & Innovation Forum

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*A special track devoted to the latest research results in the field of technology use by Customs*

Increasing trade volumes, shifts in global logistics, and a continuous need for attention on emerging threats, urge Customs administrations and businesses involved in international trade to push boundaries. Doing more work with fewer resources whilst increasing the levels of security and keeping abreast of the latest challenges to increase competitiveness form the need to change horizons.

Therefore the WCO Technology & Innovation Forum will feature a special track devoted to the latest academic and institutional research results in the field of technology use by Customs. This track is hosted by the Rotterdam School of Management and Fontys University of Applied Sciences, and is supported by the Customs Detection Technology Expert Group of the European Commission.

The track offers a possibility to present research results in the form of a poster or a paper. A limited number of 8 papers and 20 posters can be accepted. The presenter of the winning paper will receive a travel expenses refund up to a maximum of 500€, made available by the Rotterdam School of Management. Authors of the accepted papers will be given a time slot in the breakout track to present their work. The authors of the accepted posters will have an opportunity to explain their work during the break between the two sessions of the track. The accepted papers and posters will be made available to the Forum delegates electronically.

Research topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Detection technology
- Sensor technology
- Cargo security technology (e.g. Container Security Devices)
- Big data analytics
- Data forensics
- Risk management technology
- Supply chain transparency instruments
- System based supervision
- Flexible and secure data exchange between government and third parties

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Papers can be submitted for two categories:

Category A: paper containing original research that has not been published before in a conference proceedings or scientific journal.

Category B: paper that has been published before in a conference proceedings or scientific journal. In that case, a footnote has to be included on the front page of the paper indicating a full reference to the proceedings or a scientific journal the paper was published before in.

**Papers** should be submitted in accordance with the following requirements:

- A minimum of 3,000 words and a maximum of 10,000 words
- Preferably DOCX or ODF format, Arial font size 11
- Footnotes rather than endnotes should be used
- Submissions should be in English
- Indicate whether the paper is submitted for Category A or B

**Posters** should be submitted in accordance with the following requirements:

- PDF format, printed in A0 size
- Your affiliation and contact address clearly stated on the poster
- Submissions should be in English

Papers or posters have to be submitted with the following details:

- Name, title, and biography (maximum 250 words) of author or authors
- Current position, organization, and country of author or authors
- Contact email and telephone number
- Title of paper or poster

#### Important dates

Submission of papers and posters deadline	1 July 2015
Acceptance notification	15 August 2015
Submission final version of papers and posters	15 October 2015
Research Track	28 October 2015

Note that at least one of the authors of an accepted paper has to register for the Forum. Paper presenters do not have to pay the Forum registration fee. For registration information please see the main Forum website : <https://www.etches.com/ehome/index.php?eventid=120284&>.

#### How to submit

Submit your paper or poster preferably in PDF format to

<https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=wco2015>.

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From the accepted papers the author of the best paper will be awarded with an opportunity to present the paper at the Forum's plenary session on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Depending on the quality of the paper and the suitability for a wider audience, there might be an opportunity to publish a condensed version of the best paper in the WCO News Magazine and the E-zine of the Dutch Customs Administration.

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