# Early Career Workshop CSCL 2013 (June 15-16) Call for Applications

The Early-Career Workshop is intended to provide an opportunity for CSCL and learning sciences researchers early in their careers to discuss their own research, to discuss early-career challenges with peers and senior mentors and to initiate international networks related to their research topics. Applications are invited from individuals in a variety of early career positions, such as, tenure track, post-doc, private sector or similar.

#### Overview

The workshop will run for a day and a half during the pre-conference events. Activities will include panels on topics such as negotiating career paths (including careers in museums, research institutes, NGOs, or the private sector), publishing and funding. A significant amount of time will be devoted to small group interactions where early career participants can present their research and receive feedback from peers and mentors. There will also be opportunities for informal interactions with peers and mentors on an impromptu basis and as part of organized social events. Mentors and panelists are mid-career and senior scholars who are active in the CSCL and ISLS community.

A detailed schedule will be published about a month or so prior to the event.

#### **Eligibility**

The Early Career workshop is designed for early career researchers in CSCL and the learning sciences within 6 years of receiving the doctorate. Applications are invited from individuals in a variety of early career positions, including, but not limited to, tenure track, post-doc, research track, and industrial research positions. Individuals in professional appointments, such as postdoctoral fellows, who have not yet received their doctoral diploma, may also apply. Individuals who completed their doctorate more than 6 years ago, but have taken on their *first* research position in CSCL/LS within the past 5 years are also eligible. Tenure track faculty members who have submitted their files for promotion or have been promoted/tenured are not eligible.

### **Application process**

The *deadline for applications is February 15*, *2013* at 11:59 PM US Eastern time. Please name your file as follows: "YOURLASTNAMEEarlyCareerProposal". All documents should be in PDF or Word format.

Applicants should submit one document that includes the following five sections:

- 1. A 2-page summary (using conference formatting) of your research, including theoretical framework, methods you are using, and plans for moving forward.
- 2. A half-page statement describing how the Early-Career Workshop can be of help to you. You may add an additional half page noting topics of panels or mini-classes that you would find useful.
- 3. A 1-page narrative description of your current position including the type of institution that you work in, and your responsibilities (e.g., teaching, research, mentoring, and committee work).
- 4. A current curriculum vita.
- 5. A cover sheet with your name, institution, email address, phone and fax numbers, and postal address.

Submissions are through the online submission system, similar to the paper submissions. Please go to the conference website http://www.isls.org/cscl2013/ and follow the links under the "call for proposals" menu.

Please direct all inquiries to isls2013-earlycareer@isls.org.

Participation is limited and competitive. Selection criteria include eligibility requirements, scientific quality of the proposal, potential benefit of participation to the candidate, and the assembly of a productive and diverse cohort.

Notification of acceptance will be made around April 15, 2013.

# **Funding**

The social event is sponsored by the International Society of the Learning Sciences. The ISLS can provide travel stipends for a limited number of researchers and additional funding is pending.

## **Organizers/Chairs**

- Carolyn Penstein Rosé, Carnegie Mellon University, USA
- Kristine Lund, CNRS, University of Lyon, France
- Iris Tabak, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel