



Recognizing Leaders in the Field of Information Systems



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AIS Awards

About the Leadership Excellence Award

The Association for Information Systems Leadership Excellence Award is presented annually to an individual who has demonstrated exemplary leadership and innovation in the use and development of information systems. It is conferred at the International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS), which takes place annually in different regions around the world. In addition to receiving the award, the winner delivers the keynote address at the conference each year. The recipient is selected by the Association for Information Systems Leadership Excellence Award Committee, consisting of a chairperson, the current, immediate past, and elected presidents of AIS, the AIS executive director, and the ICIS conference chair.

Past Leadership Excellence Award Recipients

2016

Atish Banerjea
Chief Information Officer
Facebook, Inc.

2018

Zack Hicks
Executive Vice President and Chief
Digital Officer
Toyota North America

2017

Ji-Hoon Rim
Chief Executive Officer
Kakao

2019

Hasso Platner
Founder
SAP

2020 Leadership Excellence Award Recipient Narayan Murthy



Narayana Murthy Founder, Infosys Limited. Infosys is, today, a highly-innovative software services global company listed on NYSE in the US and on the Bombay Stock Exchange in Mumbai with over \$12 billion (USD) in revenue and about \$58 billion (USD) in market capitalization.

Murthy conceptualized, articulated and implemented the Global Delivery Model (GDM) which has become the backbone of the Indian software industry. GDM is based on collaborative distributed software development principles and has resulted in the delivery of superior quality software to global customers delivered on time and within budget. Mr. Murthy also introduced the concept of 24-hour work day to the world.

Under Murthy's leadership, Infosys became the leader in innovation in technical, managerial and leadership training, software technology, quality, productivity, customer focus, employee satisfaction, and physical and technological infrastructure.

Murthy was elected as a member of the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2019. He is a foreign member of the US National Academy of Engineering and a Fellow of the Indian National Academy of Engineering. He is also a member of the Board of Governors and Trustees of the Asian Institute of Management, Manila. He received the Founders Medal in 2018, the Hoover medal in 2012 and the Ernst Weber Medal in 2007, all the three from IEEE. He has received Thomas Jefferson medal and James C. Morgan Global Humanitarian Award.

Currently, Murthy serves on the boards of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, New Jersey and the United Nations Foundation. He has served on the boards of Ford Foundation in New York, HSBC and Unilever in London.

About the LEO Award

The LEO Award for lifetime exceptional achievement in Information Systems recognizes outstanding academics and practitioners for exceptional contributions to research in and/or the practice of information systems.

This award was established in 1999 by the AIS Council and the ICIS Executive Committee. It is named after one of the world's first commercial applications of computing (The Lyons Electronic Office). The LEO Award is a singular honor to recognize seminal work by the award recipient.

Past LEO Recipients

1999	2007	2014
C. West Churchman	Izak Benbasat	Gary Dickson
J. Daniel Cougar	Ephraim McLean	Joey George
Börje Langefors		Tin-Peng Liang
Enid Mumford	2008	
	Dewald Roode	2015
2000	M. Lynne Markus	Allen Lee
Gordon B. Davis	Robert W. Zmud	Kwok Kee Wei
	Kenneth L. Kraemer	Dov Te'eni
2001		Dennis Galletta
Richard O. Mason	2009	
	Daniel Robey	2016
2002	E. Burton Swanson	Richard Baskerville
Paul Gray		James Marsden
Jay F. Nunamaker	2010	
	Blake Ives	2017
2003	Carol Sauders	Vallabh Sambamurthy
John F. Rockart		Sirkka Jarvenpaa
Frank Land	2011	
	Richard (Rick) Thomas	2018
2004	Watson	David Avison
William R. King	Ron Weber	Jane Fedorowicz
Rob Kling		
	2012	2019
2005	Bob Galliers	Ritu Agarwal
Andrew B. Whinston	Detmar Straub	Michael D. Myers
		Arun Rai
2006	2013	
Niels Bjørn-Andersen	Rudy Hirschheim	
Phillip Ein-Dor	Kalle Lyytinen	

LEO Winner Cynthia M. Beath



Cynthia M. Beath is a Professor Emerita of Information Systems at the McCombs School of Business at UT Austin. She received her MBA and PhD degrees from UCLA.

Before embarking on her academic career, Cynthia worked in private industry in several information systems development and consulting positions.

Currently she is conducting research on how organizations design themselves for the digital era and how they get value from artificial intelligence, in conjunction with colleagues at the Center for Information Systems Research (CISR) at MIT's Sloan School. In 2019, she published *Designed for Digital: How to Architect Your*

Business for Sustained Success, with Jeanne Ross and Martin Mocker.

Recently she has been working to improve the diversity of the editorial boards of the field's top journals and to find ways to mitigate the effects of Covid-19 lockdown on researchers with mushrooming householder responsibilities.

Her research has been published in leading information systems research journals, and she has served as senior editor for *Information Systems Research*, *MIS Quarterly* and *MISQ Executive*. An active advocate for her professional community, she organized the Women's Breakfast at ICIS several times, created the field's first junior faculty consortium, and helped found *MISQ Executive*.

She has served two terms on the AIS Council, as VP of Publications and as VP of Conferences. She is a founding member of the AIS Women's Network and serves on its advisory board. She is an AIS Fellow.

LEO Winner Varun Grover



Varun Grover is the Glass Endowed Chair and Distinguished Professor at the Walton College of Business, University of Arkansas. Prior to this he was the Lee (Duke Energy) Distinguished Professor of IS at Clemson University. He has also been affiliated through courses, workshops, panels, and talks with universities in Taiwan, Hong Kong, Korea, India, Denmark, China, and Australia and has given many keynote addresses at various forums around the world.

Grover's research over the past 31 years has largely examined how information systems foster value by impacting individuals, transforming processes, and changing competitive dynamics. His current work focuses on the tenets of digitalization and its profound effect on individuals, organizations, and society. He has over 250 publications in major refereed journals, with over 60 in *MISQ*, *ISR*, *JMIS* and *JAIS*. At least ten articles have ranked him among the top four researchers globally based on publications in top IS journals, as well as citation impact. Varun has an h-index of 93 and around 41,000 citations in Google Scholar (as of 2020). Thompson Reuters recognized him as one of 100 Highly Cited Scholars globally in all Business disciplines.

Grover has held major editorial positions in all the top IS journals, including Senior Editor for *MIS Quarterly* (2-terms) and the *Journal of the AIS* (2-terms). He currently serves as Senior Editor for *MISQ Executive*, Editor of *JAIS* Section on Path Breaking Research. He has edited 6 special issues of *MISQ*, *JMIS*, *MISQE* and *Database*, and 3 books on IT and process change. He has also been involved in numerous AIS leadership positions including ICIS and AMCIS roles like Conference Co-Chair (proposed), Program Co-Chair, Track Chair, Doctoral Consortium Chair, Junior Faculty Camp Co-Chair, as well as organizer of numerous workshops. Grover has had the privilege of being extensively engaged with PhD students through building doctoral programs at USC and Clemson, chairing/co-chairing over 45 dissertations, participating in numerous doctoral consortia as keynote speaker or faculty mentor and co-chairing the doctoral consortium multiple times. He has written over 20 advice columns promoting PhD student success. In 2011, he was recognized for lifelong service to AIS.

Grover's research, teaching and service have resulted in numerous awards, including the top University-wide awards from USC, Clemson, University of Arkansas, and best paper awards from AIS, Academy of Management, DSI, the OR Society, Anbar, PriceWaterhouse. In 2010, he was designated as a Fellow of AIS.

LEO Winner Elena Karahanna



Elena Karahanna is Distinguished Research Professor and the C. Herman and Mary Virginia Terry Distinguished Chair in Business Administration in the MIS Department, Terry College of Business at the University of Georgia. She was named a Fellow of the Association for Information Systems for outstanding contributions in research, teaching and service to the Information Systems discipline. She received the AIS Sandra Slaughter Service Award for her service contributions to the profession and was named a University of Georgia Distinguished Research Professor for her research achievements.

Karahanna's research for over 25 years has focused on the impact of information systems on how individuals work, interact, communicate, coordinate, and decide. She has published in leading scholarly journals, including *Information Systems Research*, *Management Science*, *MIS Quarterly*, *Academy of Management Review*, and *Organization Science* and is highly cited with over 30,000 citations as per Google Scholar.

Karahanna has served as senior editor at the *MIS Quarterly*, *Information Systems Research*, and *the Journal of the Association for Information Systems* (a cumulative total of 11 years as senior editor across the three journals), and serves or has served as associate editor at *Information Systems Research*, *Management Science*, *MIS Quarterly*, and *Journal of the Association for Information Systems*, among others.

Over the years, she has served in many conference leadership roles, including twice as Program Co-chair for the International Conference on Information Systems, as Doctoral Consortium Co-chair for the Americas Conference on Information Systems, twice as Conference Co-chair for the Mediterranean Conference on Information Systems, as keynote speaker for conferences, and as mentor and keynote speaker for doctoral/junior faculty/mid-career faculty consortia, among others. Additionally, she co-founded the Senior Scholars Consortium, the Doctoral Student Corner, and SIGLead.

Karahanna has received several teaching excellence awards and has been an active mentor to doctoral students, chairing 15 dissertations and serving as committee member on another 28.

Prior to joining the University of Georgia, she served on the faculty of the University of Cyprus and Florida State University. She has also held visiting appointments at universities in Australia, Italy, Hong Kong, and Singapore.

LEO Winner Jae Kyu Lee



Jae Kyu Lee, Ph.D. is the Distinguished Professor of School of Management at Xi'an Jiaotong University and Professor Emeritus of Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST). His research mainly focused on the creation of Bright Internet for preventive cybersecurity, improving relevance of research from Axiomatic Theories, and development of AI for electronic commerce and managerial decision support.

He has been professor and HHI Chair Professor at KAIST from 1985 to 2016 since he received his Ph.D. in Information and Operations Management from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He served as the Dean of College of Business and supervised around 30 doctoral students, who are now professors in

major universities in South Korea.

He is a fellow and was the President (2015-6) of the Association for Information Systems, and co-chaired the International Conference on Information Systems in 2017. He was the founder of Principles for the Bright Internet and established the Bright Internet Research Center at KAIST and Xi'an Jiaotong University. He also established the Bright Internet Global Summit since ICIS 2017 in Seoul, and organized the Bright Internet Project Consortium in 2019 as a combined effort of academia-industry partnership (www.brightinternet.org).

He was a charter member of the Pacific Asia Conference on Information Systems (PACIS), and served as conference chair. He was the founding editor-in-chief of the journal, *Electronic Commerce Research and Applications* (Elsevier), and was the founding chair of the International Conference on Electronic Commerce. In Korea, he served as president of academic societies - Korea Society of Management Information Systems (KSMIS) and Korea Society of Intelligent Information Systems.

He received best paper awards ten times from major conferences, and received a national decoration from the Korean government for his contributions to the development of the IT industry. He published many papers in journals such as *MIS Quarterly*, *Information Systems Research*, *Journal of the Association for Information Systems*, *Management Science*, *Decision Support Systems*, *Communications of ACM*, *Expert System with Applications*, and many others. He presented many keynote speeches and proceeding papers at major international conferences such as ICIS, PACIS, and ICEC.

About the Fellow Award

The AIS Fellow Award recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the information systems discipline in terms of research, teaching and service. A Fellow need not have excelled in all three categories. Nonetheless, she or he is expected to have made exceptional contributions in at least one of these categories and to have made significant contributions in the other two categories. A Fellow is also expected to have made significant global contributions to the information systems discipline as well as outstanding local contributions in the context of their country and region.

AIS Fellows are expected to act as a role model and an inspiration to colleagues and students within the information systems discipline. In addition, they should be capable of garnering the respect of individuals from outside the discipline who from time to time have an interest in the discipline. AIS Fellows should be esteemed for their high levels of professional and personal integrity.

Past Fellow Recipients

1999

Chrisanthi Avgerou
Niels Bjørn-Andersen
Paul Gray
Blake Ives
William R. King
Ephraim R. McLean
Iris Vessey

2000

Maryam Alavi
Gordon B. Davis
Phillip Ein-Dor
Frank Land
Henry C. Lucas, Jr.
Jay F. Nunamaker, Jr.
Ronald Arthur
Gerard Weber

2001

Sirkka Jarvenpaa
Jim McKenney

2002

Izak Benbasat
Dennis F. Galletta
Seev Neumann
Michael Vitale

2003

Robert Galliers
Rob Kling
Ken Kraemer
T. P. Liang
Carol Saunders
Robert Zmud

2004

Kalle Lyytinen
M. Lynne Markus
Dan Robey
Doug Vogel
Hugh Watson

2005

Michael J. Ginzberg
John Leslie King
Allen S. Lee
Detmar Straub
Kwok Kee Wei

2006

Cynthia Beath
Jane Fedorowicz
Ralph H. Sprague
Richard Thomas Watson

2007

Ilze Zigurs
Malcolm Carlyle Munro
Rudy Hirschheim
E. Burton Swanson

2008

Dov Te'eni
Omar A. El Sawy
Rajiv Sabherwal
Joey F. George

2009

Michael D. Myers
Joseph Valacich
Vallabh Sambamurthy
Sid Huff

2010

David Avison
Shirley Gregor
Arun Rai
Marco De Marco
Varun Grover

2011

Ritu Agarwal
Juhani Iivari
Jae Kyu Lee
Dorothy Leidner
Bernard Tan

2012

Soon Ang
Roger Clarke
Alan Dennis
Elena Karahanna
Claudia Loebbecke
Ann Majchrzak

2013

Richard Boland
Wynne Chin
Guy Fitzgerald
Patrick Chau
Christina Soh

2014

Yolande Chan
Prabuddha De
Alain Pinsonneault
Henk Sol
Hock-Hai Teo
Leslie Willcocks

2015

Ho Geun Lee
Alan Hevner
Choon Ling Sia
Suzanne Rivard
Frantz Rowe

2016

Guy Gable
Paulo Goes
Alok Gupta
Wolfgang Koenig
Helmut Krömer
James Thong
Virpi Tuunainen
Viswanath Venkatesh

2017

Susan Brown
Brian Fitzgerald
Kai Lim
Sue Newell
Jeanne Ross
Suprateek Sarker
Diane Strong
Eric Wang

2018

Debbie Compeau
Dubravka Cecez-
Kecmanovic
Mark Keil
John Mooney
Sudha Ram
Jan Recker
Veda Storey
Youngjin Yoo

2019

Jan vom Brocke
Andrew Burton-Jones
Guoqing Chen
Robert Davison
Ramesh Sharda
Jason Thatcher
Cathy Urquhart
Jane Webster

Fellow Winner Pär Ågerfalk



Pär J. Ågerfalk is a Professor at Uppsala University, Sweden, where he holds the Chair in Computer Science in Intersection with Social Sciences (a.k.a. Information Systems).

He received his PhD in Information Systems Development from Linköping University and has held full-time positions at Örebro University, University of Limerick, Jönköping International Business School, and Lero – The Irish Software Research Centre.

Most recognised for his work on open-source software and distributed agile development, Ågerfalk's research addresses various aspects of the orchestration of digital practices.

He currently focuses on digital innovation, digital agency, sustainable development, e-health, and how pragmatism can inform systems development and conceptual modelling. His work has appeared in several leading journals and conferences in the information systems field, including *MIS Quarterly*, *Journal of the AIS*, and ICIS, and he is currently editor-in-chief of the *European Journal of Information Systems*.

Ågerfalk serves or has served as Program Co-Chair, Doctoral Consortium Co-Chair, and Ancillary Meetings Co-Chair of ICIS, as well as General Co-Chair of ECIS and IRIS/SCIS, Doctoral Consortium Co-Chair of ECIS, and Program Co-Chair of MCIS.

He is a former Co-Editor of the *Scandinavian Journal of Information Systems*, and founding Chair of the AIS Special Interest Group on Pragmatist IS Research (SIGPrag).

Fellow Winner Brent Gallupe



Brent Gallupe is Professor Emeritus of Digital Technologies at Smith School of Business, Queen's University, Canada. He received his PhD in MIS from the University of Minnesota in 1985.

Gallupe served as co-chair of ICIS 2007 in Montreal, and on the AIS Executive Council for four years as the ICIS representative. He chaired the ICIS Executive Committee that recommended rotating ICIS among the three regions. He has also served as an AE for *MISQ* and on the editorial boards of other IS journals.

Gallupe has published a number of papers in IS journals including *MIS Quarterly*, *Information Systems Research*, *Journal of the Association for Information Systems*, *Journal of Management Information Systems*, *Journal of Strategic Information Systems*, *Information Systems Journal* and *Communications of the Association of Information Systems*. In addition, he has published in IS-related journals such as *Management Science*, *Academy of Management Journal*, and *Journal of Applied Psychology*. An early paper in group decision support systems (GDSS) is considered one of the most influential papers published in *Management Science* in its first 50 years. He might be best known for his initial ground-breaking research in GDSS and electronic brainstorming (EBS).

Gallupe has contributed to the IS field both in Canada, and in New Zealand where he held a Visiting Professorship at the University of Auckland for 28 years. In Canada, he was a Section President and Accreditation Council member of the Canadian Information Processing Society. He was also the Division and Program Chair of the Information Systems Division of the Administrative Sciences Association of Canada. In addition, he advised most IS programs at Canadian universities regarding their curricula. In New Zealand, he helped establish programs of GDSS research, advised over 50 IS Master's theses, co-supervised 5 PhD theses, and mentored and co-authored papers with a number of New Zealand IS faculty.

Gallupe's current research interests are in the areas of Management of AI in Organizations, IT-enabled Transparency, and Collaborative Technologies.

When he isn't working on IS-related activities, he can be found fixing his old English sports car (1962 Triumph TR4), making maple syrup, or designing and making stained glass panels.

Fellow Winner Wei (Wayne) Huang



Wei Huang (Wayne) is a National Yangtze Chair of Information Systems and is Dean of College of Business at Southern University of Science & Technology (SusTech), Shenzhen. He has more than 33 years' full-time teaching/research experience in top-tier research universities of the world. Prior to join SusTech, he worked full-time at University of New South Wales (Australia), National University of Singapore (NUS), Harvard University, Ohio University, Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK).

Huang's research interests include Business analytics, Using IS/IT to support decision-making & collaboration. He has published, among other 180 research papers, in *MIS Quarterly* (MISQ), *Journal of Management Information Systems* (JMIS), *Journal of the Association for Information Systems* (JAIS), *European Journal of Information Systems* (EJIS), *ACM Transactions*, *Decision Support Systems*, *Europe Journal of Operations Research*, and *IEEE Transactions*.

Information Systems (JMIS), *Journal of the Association for Information Systems* (JAIS), *European Journal of Information Systems* (EJIS), *ACM Transactions*, *Decision Support Systems*, *Europe Journal of Operations Research*, and *IEEE Transactions*.

His research papers have been cited by top-tier journals like *Management Science*, *MIS Quarterly*, *ISR*, *JMIS*, *IEEE Transactions*, and presented in top-tier international AIS conferences including ICIS, AMCIS, ECIS and PACIS. His research paper received the world's ESI top 1% citation recognition. His research has been funded by the Australian Research Council, Harvard Research Grant, NSF of China, National University of Singapore (NUS).

Within AIS, Huang has been a PACIS council member of the AIS (2008-2011, 2011-2014, 2019-2022), the founding President of the AIS Special Interest Group (AIS SIG-ISAP, for over 15 years, won Outstanding SIG Award in 2017), an associate/senior editor of *PA-JAIS* (an official AIS journal for over 6 years), and one of the few key founding members of China AIS Chapter from its start over 15 years ago.

Huang has served a chair/co-chair and keynote speaker for numerous international academic conferences, and served most major AIS conferences including ICIS (8 years), AMCIS (6 years), and PACIS (more than 10 years). He has been involved in IS education and scholarly development at more than 30 universities in 15 countries via the AIS SIG-ISAP platform and AIS China Chapter. He was been awarded the AIS "Sandra Slaughter Outstanding Services Award" in 2018.

Fellow Winner Mary Lacity



Mary C. Lacity is Walton Professor of Information Systems and Director of the Blockchain Center of Excellence in the Sam M. Walton College of Business at The University of Arkansas. She was previously Curators' Distinguished Professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

She has held visiting positions at MIT, the London School of Economics, Washington University, and Oxford University. She is Senior Editor for *MIS Quarterly Executive* and serves on the boards of *Journal of Information Technology*, *Journal of Strategic Information Systems*, *Journal of the British Blockchain Association*, and *Management and Business Review*.

She, along with colleagues, made fundamental contributions to information technology and business process outsourcing research, including the boundary conditions for transaction cost economics. Her recent research focuses on improving business services using Robotic Process Automation (RPA), Cognitive Automation (CA), and Blockchain technologies. She has conducted case studies and surveys of hundreds of organizations on their adoption journeys. She has given keynote speeches and executive seminars worldwide and has served as an expert witness for the US Congress.

She is the recipient of the 2019 AIS Best Information Systems Publications Award, 2019 AIS Outreach Practice Publication Award (with Leslie Willcocks), and the Paul Gray Award for the Most Thought Provoking Paper in 2016 (with Shaji Khan and Erran Carmel). She was inducted into the IAOP's Outsourcing Hall of Fame in 2014, one of only three academics to ever be inducted along with Peter Drucker and Leslie Willcocks.

She has published 30 books, most recently, *Blockchain Foundations for the Internet of Value* (2020) and *Becoming Strategic with Robotic Process Automation* (2019). Her publications have appeared in the *Harvard Business Review*, *Sloan Management Review*, *MIS Quarterly*, *MIS Quarterly Executive*, *IEEE Computer*, *Communications of the ACM*, and many other academic and practitioner outlets. According to Google Scholar, her work has been cited over 19,000 times, with an h-index of 58.

Fellow Winner Annette Mills



Annette Mills is a Professor in Information Systems at the UC Business School (University of Canterbury, New Zealand). She is the Head of Department for Accounting and Information Systems, Chair of the Professors and Heads of Information Systems, New Zealand (PHIS-NZ) group, past Associate Dean (Academic) and past-Chair of the IS group at UC. Since joining UC, she has had a leading role in growing IS from 4 courses (in 1998) to include a B.Com major in IS, Master in Business IS, and contributions into Health Science, Data Science, and Environmental Science.

Her research emphasises people's engagement with IT focusing on behavioural and social aspects of IT use and its impacts. She has published in *MIS Quarterly*, *Communications of the AIS*, *Information and Management*, *Journal of Knowledge Management*, *Information Systems Frontiers*, and *Journal of Travel & Tourism Marketing*, among others.

Annette has served the IS community through contributions on editorial boards including DATA BASE, IT & People, Australian Journal of IS and Journal of Global Information Management, alongside ad-hoc reviewing for JAIS, IJIM, EJIS, ISJ, IT for Development, BMC Medical Ethics, Int'l J of Medical Informatics, and Pacific Accounting Review.

She has also served on executive committees for AIS/affiliated conferences as Junior Faculty Consortium Co-Chair (ICIS), Doctoral Consortium Co-Chair (ACIS), Program Co-Chair (ACIS, Conf-IRM), and numerous times as Track Co-Chair (ACIS, PACIS, Conf-IRM), as well as on the AIS Finance committee (2010-2012) and as VIP Communications for the AIS-SIG on Adoption and Diffusion of IT (since 2010).

Annette enjoys working with students, and has supervised over 15 IS PhD and Master thesis students with two PhDs recognised as exemplary, receiving the New Zealand Best IS Doctoral Thesis Award (2015) and Certificate of Achievement (2014).

She is a graduate of the University of Technology (Jamaica) and University of the West Indies (Jamaica), a Commonwealth Scholar, and holds a Postgraduate Certificate in Tertiary Teaching (University of Otago), and PhD in Information Systems from the University of Waikato.

She would like to take this opportunity to thank her mentors and colleagues in the AIS community for their support and most importantly, their inspiration.

Fellow Winner Fred Niederman



Fred Niederman serves as Shaughnessy Endowed Professor at Saint Louis University. His PhD is from the University of Minnesota in 1990.

He serves as editor in chief for *Communications of AIS*. He has published peer reviewed studies in Basket of 8 journals including *MIS Quarterly*, *Journal of AIS*, *Journal of Strategic Information Systems*, and *Journal of MIS*. He serves on the editorial boards for the *DATABASE for Advances in MIS*, and *Journal of International Management*. His areas of interest include: philosophy of science applied to IS, IS personnel and workforce, computer mediated teams and groups, project management, and research methods.

He served as first author for “On the Co-Evolution of Information Technology and Information Systems Personnel,” which has been recognized as a ‘publication of the year’ by AIS in 2015 co-author of the inaugural Paul Gray Award for *Communications of AIS*, thought provoking paper of the year in 2014, and co-author of “Representing Meta-theory in Management Information Systems Studies,” paper of the year for *DATA BASE*.

He has twice been awarded “senior editor of the year” recognition by *Journal of AIS*. He has provided research presentations on six continents. His areas of research interest include: IS personnel, IS project management, philosophy of science applied to IS, effects on IS of mergers and acquisitions, global IS, and group collaboration and teams. He has edited or co-edited numerous special issues on a wide variety of topics including agile development and project management for *Project Management Journal* and “Break-through Ideas” for *Communications of AIS*.

His service accomplishments include: co-program chair of ICIS in 2010; co-initiator of the AIS junior faculty consortium; participation in 19 doctoral student committees; chair 2017 to present of ACM special interest group on MIS; and coordinator for the AIS college of senior scholars 2013-2016.

He is proud to be counted as a member of the “circle of compadres” for the KMPG PhD Project.

Fellow Winner Gabe Piccoli



Gabriele Piccoli is the Edward G. Schlieder Chair of Information Sciences and a member of the Cultural Computing group at the Center for Computation and Technology at Louisiana State University (USA).

He is also on the faculty at the University of Pavia (Italy) where he received his Laurea in Economia e Commercio. He holds an MBA and PhD in Information Systems from LSU.

His academic, teaching and consulting interest has traditionally been in the area of Strategic Information Systems and Customer Service Systems. His recent research focuses on value creation and appropriation with digital resources and on competition within

aggregators.

Prior to returning to LSU and the University of Pavia, he held tenured academic positions at Cornell University (USA), the University of Sassari (Italy) and the Grenoble Ecole de Management (France). He is an advocate for practice-oriented research and the current Editor in Chief of *MIS Quarterly Executive*.

Piccoli served the IS community through his work on editorial boards (*MISQ*, *Decision Sciences*), council positions (ICIS Executive Committee), conference committees (e.g., Program Co-Chair Chair and Review Chair at ICIS, Doctoral Consortium Co-Chair at ECIS, Conference Chair at ITAIS, Mini-Track Co-Chair at HICSS), and Special Interests Groups (founding member of SIG DITE).

He would like to take this opportunity to thank the AIS Fellow Award selection committee along with his mentors and many friends in the Association of Information Systems.

Fellow Winner Matti Rossi



Matti Rossi is a professor of information systems at Aalto University School of Business. He is a past president of the Association for Information Systems. He holds a Ph.D. degree in Business Administration from the University of Jyväskylä. He has worked as a visitor at NYU Stern School of Business, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Georgia State University and Claremont Graduate University.

He is a past president of AIS and he has been actively involved in AIS activities as a Region 2 representative, served on IRIS board, and was instrumental in developing the IRIS community into an AIS regional chapter. He strongly believes in regional and local chapter work of AIS as a means of global inclusion on both professional

and societal levels.

He is the past editor in chief of *Communications of the Association for Information Systems* and coordinating editor of *Scandinavian Journal of Information Systems*. He currently serves as a senior editor for *JIT* and an advisory board member for *ISJ* and *CAIS*. He has served in editorial boards of *MISQ*, *J AIS*, *SJIS*, *JDM*, *Database*.

He was a co-chair of DESRIST 2007, 2008 and 2014 and program co-chair of DESRIST 2013 and DESRIST 2020, program co-chair for ECIS 2011 and 2016, organizing chair for IRIS 2004, technology chair for ICIS'98, track chair for several ICIS and ECIS conferences and minitrack chair for HICSS 98 - 21.

He has been involved in the development of two research prototypes and further commercial products, which are sold by MetaCASE Consulting Plc, where he is a founder and minority owner. He has been a member of the board of OSS developer QT Company Plc., Synchron Tech. He was the winner of the 2013 Millennium Distinction Award of Technology Academy of Finland for open source and data research.

He has been the principal investigator in several major research projects funded by the Academy of Finland and European Union.

His hobby is fishing, where he practices what he preaches by applying too new digital technology, which often results in a more sustainable catch.

Outstanding Professional Development

- Arizona State University
- Georgia State University
- University of Montana

Outstanding Membership Activities

- Clemson University
- Creighton University
- University of Illinois

Outstanding "Careers in IS"

- University of Colorado, Denver

Outstanding Community Service

- Arizona State University
- Northern Arizona University

Outstanding Fundraising/Fiscal Responsibility

- Duquesne University

Outstanding Communications

- Clemson University
- University of Colorado, Denver