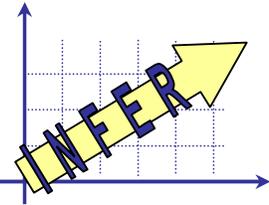


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INFER Research Fellow

Background:

INFER has traditionally focused on developing the careers of younger researchers and this was the motivating factor in the establishment of *INFER* in 1998. In particular the emphasis was on helping young researchers to develop presentation and publication opportunities and over time build up their personal network. *INFER* has succeeded in doing this and now has a strong and vibrant community of active researchers. Many of these early members have gone on to develop successful professional careers and have now developed a vast array of experience. The Board of *INFER* believes that these now more senior members (or past members) should have an opportunity to play a role within the ever expanding *INFER* network by contributing to the development of *INFER* itself and in doing so further develop their own careers. To help achieve this goal *INFER* will launch a new category called '*INFER Research Fellows*'.

Role of an *INFER Research Fellow*:

The principle aim of an *INFER Research Fellow* will be to contribute to the ongoing development of *INFER* by helping to continually enhance the quality of the network and allow *INFER* to develop new opportunities with institutions and publishers. Examples of such activities include (but are not limited to), expanding publication opportunities for members by helping to develop access to quality journals, encourage new institutional memberships, become referees for *INFER* workshops and conferences in their field, and to generally provide feedback to younger members.

INFER will establish a new electronic peer-reviewed working papers series called the '*INFER Research Fellow Papers*', which will be exclusively reserved for papers written by at least one *INFER Research Fellow*. *Fellows* will have the right to list *INFER* as one of their affiliations on any of their publications. *INFER Research Fellows* may also present their papers in a newly established 'Invited Sessions' at *INFER* Workshops and Annual Conferences.

Who is Eligible to Apply?:

An *INFER Research Fellow* will typically be senior members who have been active in *INFER* for several years and who have a good research track record. In particular an *INFER Research Fellow* will have been an *INFER* member for at least 3 years, have at least 10 peer-reviewed publications (international journal articles, international books, international book chapters) and have organised at least 1 *INFER* Workshop, *INFER* Annual Conference or a workshop or conference formally supported by *INFER*.

In order to remain an *INFER Research Fellow* one should remain an *INFER* member (including paying the annual membership fee) and publish at least one paper in the *INFER Research Fellow Papers* every two years.

Procedure:

Those wishing to apply for a Fellowship should apply in writing to the *INFER Board* by contacting the *INFER Chairman Jan Van Hove* at info@infer.info listing their achievements in relation to the above eligibility criteria, and attach their CV. Applications will be evaluated by the *INFER Board*.