SPRITE+ Showcase: Call for Research Snapshots

SPRITE+ is pleased to invite applications from academic and non-academic Members and Expert Fellows from any disciplinary background to present a lightning talk and a virtual poster at the SPRITE+ Showcase on 14 January 2021, on research relevant to Trust, Identity, Privacy, and Security (TIPS) in the Digital Economy, in line with the SPRITE+ Challenge Themes.

SPRITE+ membership is free and open to anyone with an interest in the future of TIPS in the digital age. Register here.

Background

SPRITE+ is the EPSRC-funded (grant reference EP/S035869/1) NetworkPlus for TIPS in the Digital Economy. We work with academic and non-academic stakeholders to build and strengthen the TIPS community and identify requirements and promising new directions for research in this area.

We are hosting a virtual showcase event on 14 January 2021, where attendees will learn about the research conducted by the SPRITE+ Challenge Working Groups and Short Project Teams. As well as opportunities for discussion and networking, we will have a set of 'research snapshots': a lightning talk plus a poster. This event will provide a platform for academics and stakeholders from government, law enforcement and business to discuss recent research findings, follow on activities and impact generation.

Research Snapshots

Virtual poster presentations will be an integral part of the SPRITE+ Showcase. Through their posters and accompanying lightning talks, presenters will have the opportunity to share a snapshot of their research with the SPRITE+ community including academic experts, stakeholders and Project Partners.

Successful applicants will be given their own interactive page on the showcase platform in which they will have the opportunity to:

- Host their digital poster (as an A4 PDF)
- Present a brief summary of their work (lightening talk) via a pre-recorded video/sound file (no more than 3 minutes)
- Gather feedback
- Engage in discussion during the dedicated poster session
- Host additional discussions after the showcase event

We are also offering a prize for the best poster, judged by a panel, with input from showcase attendees. The winner will receive a funded place to attend our Expert Fellows meeting in Belfast (30 June – 1 July 2021, including UK travel, accommodation, and dinner), and be featured on our blog. If the prize winner is a SPRITE+ Expert Fellow (who is already eligible for a funded place), they will be able to allocate the funded place to a PhD student or ECR colleague of their choice.

Following the showcase, posters will be published on the main SPRITE+ website and featured in our Twitter feed, and newsletter.

Eligibility

Applications are open to academic and non-academic SPRITE+ Members or Expert Fellows from any disciplinary background. We particularly encourage applications from Early Career Researchers (PhD students, post-doc RA, or first position lecturers, within 5 years of PhD) and those working outside the Higher Education sector, to reflect the diversity of SPRITE+ membership.

Posters can showcase research from any relevant topic, but should not be used as a sales or marketing opportunity.

Expected commitment from successful applicants

The SPRITE+ Showcase will take place during the afternoon (UK time) of 14 January 2021 via Zoom. We expect successful applicants to attend the showcase and be available during the dedicated poster session.

Successful applicants will need to prepare a poster and a three-minute pre-recorded presentation to accompany it. We will provide full details of what is required, and additional support where necessary to help you present your research.

How to apply

Applicants should complete the short application form here and submit to admin@spritehub.org by 09 November 2020.

Applications will be reviewed against the following selection criteria:

- **Relevance:** the topic area should be relevant to those with an interest in digital TIPS
- **Rigor:** the research has been conducted to a high standard of scientific rigor
- **Significance:** the research presented makes a novel and important contribution to theory and/or practice
- **Impact:** the research has clear current or potential societal impact
- **Clarity:** the objectives and outcomes are clearly presented

We will select participants based on the information in the application form and will also endeavour to achieve a diverse spread of participants from across disciplines and backgrounds.

Security, Privacy, Identity, Trust, Engagement, NetworkPlus

Key Dates

- 06 October 2020: Applications open
- 09 November 2020: Applications close
- 27 November 2020: Applicants notified
- 04 January 2021: Successful applicants submit video/sound recording and poster
- 14 January 2021: SPRITE+ Showcase (PM, UK time)

Privacy notice

SPRITE+ is fully compliant with GDPR. We will treat applications as confidential and share only with the Management Team. For details of how SPRITE+ handles Members' data more generally, see our Privacy Policy.

A note about Zoom

Organising an online showcase is a complex affair, involving switches between breakout groups and plenary sessions, and the use of virtual flipcharts and post-it notes. The process will be expertly handled by our facilitation partners Know Innovation. We will be using Zoom but we recognise that some potential participants will have security and privacy-related concerns. We will take the following actions to ensure the security of our meetings:

- A unique Zoom meeting room number and password will be used for each session
- The Zoom 'waiting room' feature will be used, and participants will be admitted to the meeting following a cross-check of their details with our records, to ensure they are expected. Once all attendees have arrived, the Zoom meeting will be 'locked'
- Only the meeting host and their designees will be allowed to share screens or content.

Further information

If you have any further questions regarding this call, please contact Natalie Theodoulou (SPRITE+ Network Manager) admin@spritehub.org.

.