

## Announcement

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# ASIS Annual Meeting 1985

The MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, is to be the venue for the 48th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science (ASIS), on 20–25 October 1985. \*

The Society has chosen to organize the conference program principally around themes which have received significant treatment in its professional publication *Annual Review of Information Science and Technology (ARIST)*. The twentieth volume of ARIST is scheduled to appear in 1985—shortly before the conference itself.

The twenty years of *ARIST* reflect several continuing themes. The ASIS '85 technical program is planned on six track levels. Participants have been encouraged to submit papers in the following areas:

- *Data bases: organization and access.* Public-use catalogues and videotex data bases; indexing, abstracting and electronic document delivery; automated classification, text online searching and menu-based retrieval; evaluation of access.

- *Hardware / technology.* Mass and local storage—videodisc and magnetic; satellite and ground communications; local-area networks, wired campuses; microcomputer hardware, software and information systems; technology futures projections related to information science.

- *Human factors / man-machine interface.* Expert systems and artificial intelligence for information applications; public *vs.* trained-staff use of interactive systems; user needs, expectations and experiences; new systems.

- *Distribution and communications.* Online commercial, government and private-sector information systems; telefacsimile and document alternatives; economics and delivery; electronic mail, conferencing, switching.

- *Information services and products.* New commercial and government publications, products or services related to information science and technology; data bases and software products; training and education innovations; electronic publishing.

- *Management, policy and politics.* Economics, market assessment and evaluation of information products and services; organization and planning; legal issues and constraints; public/private sector issues; federal and local government roles.

\* Note the change from the previously announced dates (6–11 October).

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