Call for Short Chapters

For The

Encyclopedia of E-Collaboration

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The Encyclopedia of E-Collaboration will be the most comprehensive compilation of short chapters addressing issues in connection with e-collaboration technologies and their impact on users. E-collaboration technologies are broadly defined as electronic technologies that enable collaboration among individuals engaged in a common task.

Examples of e-collaboration technologies are web-based chat tools, web-based asynchronous conferencing tools, e-mail, listservs, collaborative writing tools, group decision support systems, teleconferencing suites, workflow automation systems, and document management technologies.

Coverage: The Encyclopedia of E-Collaboration will provide a compendium of terms, definitions and explanations of concepts, processes, and acronyms related to e-collaboration. It will feature short chapters (3,000-3,500 words) authored by leading experts offering an in-depth description of key terms and concepts related to different areas, issues and trends in connection with e-collaboration.

Invited Submissions: Individuals interested in submitting short chapters (3,000-3,500 words) on the suggested topics (see the listing of suggested topics below), or other related topics, should submit an e-mail listing selected topics.

Upon acceptance of your proposal, you will have two months to prepare your short chapter or chapters (3,000-3,500 words each), and 7-10 related terms and their appropriate definitions (for each chapter). Guidelines for preparing your short piece and terms and definitions as well as a sample article and terms and definitions can be found on the main menu of this project at:

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Please forward your e-mail of interest including your name, affiliation and a list of topics on which you are interested in writing short chapters to Ned Kock at:

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You will be notified that your e-mail has been received promptly, and about the status of your proposed topics as soon as possible after receipt of your e-mail of interest. This encyclopedia is tentatively scheduled for publishing by Idea Group Reference (an imprint of Idea Group Inc.) in 2007.

Suggested topics:

- Reviews of previous studies on e-collaboration technologies in organizations
- Analysis of different research methods and their impact on the study of e-collaboration technologies in organizations
- Design, implementation, and assessment of e-business solutions that include e-collaboration features
- E-collaboration technologies impact on knowledge management and organizational learning
- E-collaboration technologies support for quality certification programs
- E-collaboration technologies support for distributed process reengineering and process improvement
- E-collaboration technologies impact on individuals and society
- Design and evaluation of intelligent e-collaboration technologies in organizational settings
- Design and evaluation of asynchronous learning networks (ALNs) in organizational setting
- Organizational and national culture as moderating factors in the adoption and use of e-collaboration technologies in organizations
- E-collaboration technologies support for the creation of virtual teams and virtual organizations
- Distributed project management using e-collaboration technologies
- Distributed leadership issues involving the use of e-collaboration technologies
- Paradoxical results in connection with the use of e-collaboration technologies to support certain group tasks
- Evolutionary explanations of behavior toward e-collaboration tools
• Wiki-based interaction and development

• Web-based chat tools

• Web-based asynchronous conferencing tools

• E-mail

• Listservs

• Collaborative writing tools

• Blogging

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