HICL 2019 – Call for Papers

Artificial Intelligence and Digital Transformation in Supply Chain and Logistics

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We are delighted to announce the thirteenth

Hamburg International Conference of Logistics (HICL)

hosted by the Hamburg University of Technology (TUHH) and invite you to participate on the

26 & 27 September 2019

and an additional Ph.D. seminar on the 25 Sep 2019

Digitalization trends continuous to shape the industrial world opening up new opportunities across a wide range of sectors. Artificial intelligence (AI) is considered a key driver of digital transformation that has the potential to introduce new sources of growth. Besides AI, the recent advances in machine learning and automation have created a whole new business ecosystem. Additionally, customers are demanding more innovative, more diverse and greener products. This creates numerous challenges for all actors in the supply chain; yet, they also present a unique opportunity to create solutions that improve performance and productivity. HICL 2019 focuses on research concepts and ideas that foster the digital transformation in logistics and supply chain with a focus on artificial intelligence. For this year's theme:

Artificial Intelligence and Digital Transformation in Supply Chain and Logistics

we invite empirical, theoretical, methodological and practical contributions addressing topics related to one of the following tracks:

> Innovation and Technology Management
> Risk and Security Management
> Sustainability and City Logistics
> Maritime and Port Logistics
> Supply Chain Analytics and Blockchain
> Advanced Manufacturing and Industry 4.0

It is our understanding that many of tomorrow's goals can only be achieved by a constant exchange of ideas within the scientific community. HICL seeks to create an inspiring environment for researchers and professionals to discuss solutions, challenges, and responsibilities companies face in logistics and SCM. We provide a multidisciplinary network and welcome scientific and practical contributions from different disciplines, including Business Administration, Economics, Engineering, Computer Science, Law, and Mathematics. All accepted contributions will be published open access in HICL book series.

Important Dates

22 March 2019	Abstract Submission closes
10 May 2019	Paper Submission closes
12 July 2019	Conference Registration Deadline for Authors

Conference Chairs

Prof. Dr. Dr. h. c. Wolfgang Kersten (Institute of Business Logistics and General Management, TUHH)
Prof. Dr. Thorsten Blecker (Institute of Business Logistics and General Management, TUHH)
Prof. Dr. Christian M. Ringle (Institute for Human Resource Management and Organizations, TUHH)
Prof. Dr.-Ing. Carlos Jahn (Institute of Maritime Logistics, TUHH)

Submission Instructions

Authors are invited to submit original and unpublished research results or best practices that have not been submitted for publication elsewhere. The official conference language for abstracts, papers, and presentations is English.

Submissions will only be accepted through the HICL website (https://hicl.org). For the full paper, you will be provided a template. Generally, late submissions and submissions exceeding the length requirement will be rejected automatically without further review. Each submission must provide four keywords and each author's contact information. Graphics should be readable in greyscale and when printed on A5 (148 × 210 mm) paper. A submission may not exceed 25 pages or 6,000 words (total paper length).

The submission of a paper is preceded by the submission of a structured abstract. Authors must provide an abstract structured in up to six sections, mandatorily addressing the purpose, methodology, findings as well as originality and, if applicable, research limitation as well as managerial implications using the submission form on the website. After a short review process, all authors will be notified and will receive instructions on the paper submission. Paper submissions require the abstract to have been accepted in the aforementioned process.

Evaluation

The Conference Committee will evaluate each submission concerning contribution to theory and accessibility to the HICL audience. Refereeing is double-blind.

The abstract should clearly describe the nature and relevance of the problem(s), research methodology, and work-in-progress or final research results. The papers will also be evaluated concerning significance, originality, relevance, novelty, correctness, and clarity.