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Call for papers - Special Session on Reverse Logistics

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Session Description

Modern markets have become global and competitive, where manufacturers are continuously redefining their products to cope with changes in customers' demand. In such environments the time to market is crucial for product and business success, where faster product introduction and shorter product life cycles are norms. This resulted in faster flow of products along the supply chain and subsequently faster generation of waste and depletion of natural resources. Environmental concerns gave rise to the term Reverse Logistics (RL). RL aims at extending the life-cycles of products through recycling, repair, remanufacturing, or refurbishing, where the success of product recovery programs became a measure of economic sustainability. Research in RL took several directions including: Production Planning, Network Design, Product Recovery Models, Inventory Management, and Information Technology Models. Researchers and practitioners are invited to present recent advances and new research directions in RL. Papers that discuss real case studies are very welcome.

Recommended Topics

Researchers and practitioners are invited to submit complete original papers dealing with the following topics but are not limited to:

- Design for remanufacturing, repair, and reuse
- Closed-loop supply chains
- Inventory systems for RL
- Green supply chains
- Disposal of hazardous material
- RL in the construction industry
- RL in healthcare
- RL in the electronics industry

Instructions to authors

Authors are requested to provide a full paper of 10 pages maximum, written in English. The full manuscript should be submitted in accordance with the template format of the conference (available at <https://symposia.cirrelt.ca/IESM09/en/Instructionstoauthors>).

Submission

The authors are requested to submit their draft papers online: <http://cirrelt.ca/IESM2009>.

Important deadlines

Draft papers and posters should be submitted by **November 15, 2008**

Authors will receive the acceptance notification by **February 15, 2009**

Final papers for presentation should be sent before **March 1, 2009**

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