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GhostBSDCon 2025 Call For Papers and Presentations

March 29th, 2025 (9am-2pm PST) online in: Berkeley Forest: FreeBSD Lodge

GhostBSDCon is a conference for Desktop users and developers on BSD based systems. The conference will be held online at FreeBSD Lodge in Berkeley Forest, on 29th March, 2025. The conference is for anyone developing, deploying and using Desktop systems based on any BSD variant and specifically leaning toward GhostBSD.

GhostBSDCon 2025 is an inaugural online technical conference. High quality technical papers and engaging community presentations will be curated to support ongoing technical development and *BSD community experiences.

Planning Committee Members:

- Ben Hacker Jr
- Brian Hughes
- Fred L Finster

Author Schedule:

2025-01-14: CfP opens 2025-02-21: CfP closes

2025-02-28: Planning Committee finalizes speaker selection

2025-03-07: Final schedule published 2025-03-15: Dry runs completed 03/09-15

2025-03-29: GhostBSD-Con 2025 (9am-2pm PST) in Berkeley Forest: FreeBSD Lodge

How to Submit:

Technical Papers and Community Presentations alike must be submitted electronically in PDF format via email:

• **Technical Papers** initial submissions must be in the form of a complete paper or an extended abstract between 2 and 12 pages long (A4/Letter paper) in English. While there is no particular limitation for the abstract, submissions that are less than or beyond this scope, such as too long, too short, or talk proposals with no associated paper will be rejected. Technical Papers are expected to be made available in IEEE conference proceeding template. [IEEE conference proceeding templates]

• **Community Presentation** initial submissions are preferred in the form of a PDF between 2 and 12 pages long (A4/Letterpaper) in English. While there is no particular limitation for the presentation, submissions outside this scope, or talk proposals with no associated presentation will be rejected.

ALL submissions should focus on the technical details and should clearly demonstrate that:

- There is a significant problem being solved or a real-world experience being demonstrated.
- There is active work being done.
- There is enough progress to make a complete written submission.
- There is data proving either the success or failure of any claims.
- We are interested in all technical areas related to the BSD as a desktop os, including user applications, novel interfaces, networking, device support, and real-life experience using BSD.

Include appropriate references to establish that you are familiar with related work, and where possible, provide detailed data to establish that you have a working implementation or measurement tool. Submissions will be judged on the quality of the written submission and whether or not the work is of interest to the community. Business development or marketing pieces are not appropriate for submission.

All of the authors will be notified by 03 March 2025 and invited to provide their submissions on EasyChair.org All accepted submissions will be expected to produce final papers or final presentations for publication in the proceedings and all associated electronic files for the conference website by 12 March 2025. These submissions should describe work that has been completed as of the time of their submission. If necessary, members of the program committee will help shepherd authors through the writing process prior to final acceptance for publication in the proceedings.

Note that each accepted paper/presentation must be presented by at least one author. All papers should be considered 'open source', and as such, non-disclosure agreements and other limits will require us to return the paper.

If you have questions or encounter problems or want to discuss potential submissions and for inquiries regarding the content of the conference program, please send electronic mail to the program chair at: [ghostbsdcon@ghostbsd.org]

Sponsorship and Vendor Exhibits:

A vendor exhibits area is prepared at the conference venue.

If you are a vendor who is interested in exhibiting please refer to the GhostBSD Conference Sponsorship Application Guidelines: [<u>2025 Sponsorship Application Guidelines.pdf</u>]