Call for Participation

Workshop - Bielefeld University, ZiF - May 6th & 7th 2024

Computational Social Science (CSS): Bridging Data and Methods with Theory and Applications

Dear Colleagues and Researchers in Computational Social Science,

We invite you to take part in our upcoming workshop dedicated to Computational Social Science (CSS), scheduled to take place at Bielefeld University on May 6th and 7th 2024. This two-day, in-person workshop aims to connect CSS scholars from all across Germany, providing a platform for networking, professional development, and the exchange of ideas in this dynamic field.

Computational social science (CSS) has emerged as a significant research field over the years. While different descriptions and definitions are available, CSS may be defined as a research approach that utilizes computational methods, often in conjunction with big and unstructured data, to investigate research questions in social science disciplines such as sociology, political science, and economics. In a landscape where CSS is increasingly recognized for its potential to revolutionize social science research, our workshop seeks to address some of the key challenges and opportunities in the field. We will focus on integrating computational methods with theoretical frameworks from sociology, political science, economics, and more, aiming to elevate the quality and impact of CSS research.

What to expect:

- Invited Talks: Hear from leading scholars in Germany who will share insights on conceptual challenges and best practices in CSS. Have a look at the program: computational-social-science.org
- **Panel Discussion:** Engage in a discussion with experts and peers on current and future trends in CSS education and training.
- **Early Career Poster Session**: You are an early career CSS researcher? Present your research in a poster session!
- Networking Opportunities: Connect with fellow researchers and professionals to build a robust CSS community in Germany.

Who Should Attend? This workshop is for academics, researchers, and professionals involved in CSS or interested in the application of computational methods in social science research. Whether you are an experienced scholar or a young researcher in this field, your contributions and participation will be highly valued.

Note: As the workshop features invited talks and sessions aimed for academic exchange, no submission of own research is required (unless you want to present in the early career poster session).

For program details visit: computational-social-science.org

We look forward to welcoming you to an engaging and inspiring event!

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Workshop Registration

The workshop welcomes researchers from all career levels as non-presenting participants to partake in discussing directions of CSS research and networking with other CSS scholars. Slots will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Participation Fee: 25 €

Registration via Email: cssworkshop@uni-bielefeld.de

Registration Deadline: April 15th, 2024

You will receive an email with payment details following your registration and your slot will be reserved for you upon payment.

Call for Posters (Early Career Researchers)

Additional slots are available for early career researchers who wish to present their computational social science projects in the **poster session**. Please submit a short abstract of up to 300 words about the poster you would like to present with your registration email. These seats will also be allocated to eligible poster proposals on a first-come, first-served basis. We especially welcome posters on:

- Best practice applications of computational methods/big data to (complex) social science research questions
- Results and research designs from computational social science research projects
- Theoretical and conceptual challenges of CSS research
- CSS methods and innovations; mixed methods
- Data linkage applications and methods for enriching large/online data sources

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After a short evaluation of your poster with regard to the conference theme, you will receive an email with payment details. Your slot will be reserved for you after payment.

Venue

Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF: Zentrum für interdisziplinäre Forschung) Methoden 1, 33615 Bielefeld https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/ZiF/

Service

The 25 € participation fee includes: Snacks, coffee, dinner and drinks on the first day, as well as coffee and lunch on the second day. Food and drinks will be vegan and vegetarian.

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Organizing Team

The workshop is organized by the project team of the <u>Research Alliance on Racism and Discrimination</u> at the University of Bielefeld, which uses CSS methods to study racism in large text corpora.

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For details visit: computational-social-science.org

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