

Special Session: The Future of ISCRAM Research

Format: Moderated Expert Panel

Description: The Future of ISCRAM research will feature five distinguished mid-career and senior scholars, all with years of contribution to the ISCRAM community as conference organizers and board members. The session is designed to draw on their understanding of the strengths of the ISCRAM community as well as the challenges that face researchers in this transdisciplinary arena. By looking forward over a period of the next two decades, the panel is charged with conceptualizing what unanticipated threats may be most important to address through our research efforts, to begin to imagine the next generation of crisis management technologies, and to assist in identifying rate-limiting issues that face all ISCRAM researchers that require changes to research infrastructure in this area which are best addressed through public policy change. The Panelists will be asked to answer four cross-cutting questions:

1. What are the most substantive strengths and weaknesses of current ISCRAM related technologies?
2. What are the theoretical gaps in Emergency/Crisis management that should be addressed by ISCRAM research?
3. What types of what research infrastructure challenges need to be addressed by the ISCRAM community (limited funding, difficulties performing experimental research, etc.)?
4. How might research infrastructure changes support overall improvements in disaster management technologies and performance over the next 2 decades?

Panelists:



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Moderators:



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