

# REFSQ'06

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REFSQ opens its doors  
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## Call for Papers

### *Twelfth International Working Conference on Requirements Engineering: Foundation for Software Quality*

In connection with CAiSE'06 in Luxembourg, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg – June 5-6, 2006.

#### Important Dates

Submission deadline: March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
Notification of acceptance: April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
REFSQ'06 in Luxembourg: June 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2006

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Now in its twelfth year, REFSQ is a highly interactive forum for researchers and practitioners to address the problem of ensuring software quality through requirements engineering (RE). The last decade has seen improvements in our understanding of RE with better practices supported by better techniques, methods and tools. Despite these successes, many quality-related problems remain, while new challenges for RE constantly emerge. REFSQ seeks reports of innovative work in RE that contributes to the achievement of higher software quality. In particular, we encourage people from the requirements engineering, software engineering, information systems, and embedded systems fields to present their approaches to RE. Contributions from related areas such as formal methods, systems engineering, economics and management and social sciences are especially welcome.

#### Themes

Submissions may be on any aspect of RE and its relation to other fields, for instance:

- Estimation in RE
- Best Practices in Specific Domains
- RE for Autonomic and Self-conscious Systems
- Encoding, Transferring, Analysing and Applying RE Knowledge
- RE in Large Projects: Compositionality and Scalability

Case studies, experience reports and industrial problem statements are particularly encouraged.

#### Format and Submissions

REFSQ has a long tradition of being a highly interactive forum. In the past, attendance was limited to authors of accepted papers only. This year, for the first time, attendance to the event is open to every interested person. Discussants and Discussion Facilitators will be formally appointed for each paper and session, respectively, to ensure an atmosphere of productive interaction. The working language is English.

Three types of paper are solicited: **full papers** (15 pages max, 12 recommended), **position papers** (6 pages max) and **industrial problem statements** (6 pages max) – see <http://www.refsq.org> for details about format and evaluation criteria. Submission is handled electronically through the REFSQ web site.

#### Publication

**Proceedings** will be published, as in previous years, in volume form by Essener Informatik Beiträge.

In addition, revised versions of the best papers presented at the conference will be published in a **special issue** of the *Information and Software Technology* journal (Elsevier)

#### Associated event

REFSQ is associated with the Workshop on the Interplay of Requirements Engineering and Project Management in Quality Assurance (REProManQA) – see the web site for details.

