

# 50th Anniversary Conference of the American Society for Cybernetics

Held at The George Washington University in Washington DC, 3rd to 9th of August 2014



## CONFERENCE AND THEME

The American Society for Cybernetics was incorporated in Washington DC, 6th August 1964. We celebrate our 50th anniversary with a major conference on the theme "Living in Cybernetics".

## CONTENT

The conference will include paper and living history sessions, a futures workshop, arts events (with offerings from conferees), a "museum of cybernetic objects" and a conference dinner.

## LOCATION

The conference will be held at George Washington University's campus in the Foggy Bottom area of Washington DC. Washington DC is a wonderful place to base a holiday in and tour from.

## INFORMATION

For further information, and to register, or to submit an abstract for consideration, please visit us at [www.asc-cybernetics.org/2014](http://www.asc-cybernetics.org/2014). For individual questions, email: [secretary@asc-cybernetics.org](mailto:secretary@asc-cybernetics.org)

## RELATED CONFERENCE

Our conference follows the 2014 conference of the International Society for the Systems Sciences, held at the same venue. There are discounts for those attending both.

## BACKGROUND

Our conference provides an excellent opportunity for both devotees and those who have not followed the field to consider how cybernetics has developed and where current research is focused.

Fifty years ago there was great interest in cybernetics, which offered a general theory of control and communication, and of adaptive behavior in animals and machines. Many of us, today, spend several hours a day in cyberspace; cybersecurity has become a national and international concern. Many fields have been (and continue to be) formed and shaped by cybernetic ideas—including computer science; electrical engineering; neurophysiology; psychology and psychotherapy; management; sociology; political science; economics; design and the philosophy of science. If you enjoy conversations across disciplines and are interested in ideas that aid such conversations, this conference should be of great interest.

## IMPORTANT DATES

31-Mar	Early registration deadline 1
31-May	Extended abstract due
15-Jun	Comments returned to authors
22-Jun	Early registration deadline 2
30-Jun	Revised extended abstracts due
Late Jun	Open reviewing begins

27-Jul to 01-Aug	ISSS conference
03-Aug	Pre-conference
04-Aug to 08-Aug	Main conference
09-Aug	Post-conference



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