



2008 ANNUAL MEETING CALL FOR PAPERS

THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE GLOBAL
DEVELOPMENT ARCHITECTURE
Bonn, Germany, 5-7 June 2008

The Academic Council on the United Nations System now is accepting paper proposals from ACUNS members for workshop panel presentations at its Twenty-first Annual Meeting to be held in Bonn, Germany, 5-7 June 2008. All Annual Meeting workshop panel sessions will be held at the Gustav Stresemann Institute. ACUNS has made ***HOTEL INFO*** and recommends members attending the Annual Meeting to book their accommodations there as soon as possible.

The Meeting will include four roundtable-format plenary sessions of leading experts as well as three sets of concurrent workshop panels. The dual format is intended to maximize opportunities for open exchanges in the plenary sessions, while retaining the variety of workshop panels that have proven successful in past Annual Meetings. It is anticipated that this structure also will provide the opportunity for participants to secure funds from their home institutions for travel to the Meeting.

The theme of the 2008 Annual Meeting, "*The United Nations and the Global Development Architecture*" has been chosen to encourage ACUNS members to consider how the UN, its associated bodies and agencies, other international organizations, regional groupings, national governments, non-governmental organizations, and even individual members of civil society have identified, evaluated, and sought to respond to contemporary global development challenges. The Millennium Development Goals are an obvious general topic, but there may be many other issues – such as dealing with new institutional arrangements, instruments and methods; the use of emerging technologies; recent environmental policy debates; evolving social and economic implications; and the relationship between development and security, human rights, or terrorism. The ACUNS Secretariat will be pleased to receive proposals for papers and panels from members looking at these topics, although Council members also may propose papers on other directly related subjects. **Anyone presenting on a workshop panel must be, or become, a member of ACUNS and will be expected to register for the Annual Meeting.**

ACUNS members interested in participating in one of the panel workshops scheduled during the conference must submit: a brief abstract (150 words), a proposal of their presentation linked to the above theme (500 words), and a curriculum vitae to the ACUNS Secretariat. Roundtable and group presentations are also welcome. **The final deadline for receiving proposals at the Secretariat office is Friday, 11 April 2008; however, please note that submissions will be reviewed and accepted or declined (and applicants notified accordingly) as they are received. Once all spaces are filled a waiting list will be established.** Submission via e-mail attachments is preferred.

Selection of panels and paper presenters will be made by a program committee and all applicants will be notified as soon as a decision is made on their proposal. Unfortunately we do not anticipate having any travel funds available; you should plan to cover all registration, travel and other costs for attending and participating on a workshop panel.