

Inaugural Digital Pest Symposium

Call For Participation



The inaugural Digital Pest Symposium (DPS1) will be held in Melbourne in February 2005.

The Digital Pest Symposium is a one-day event, focussing on the twin global scourges of “spam” email and malicious software (including, but not limited to, viruses, worms, trojans and spyware). Just about anyone who uses a computer these days (and that’s most of us) has to deal with these in some way, so all are welcome and encouraged to attend, and indeed participate.

GOALS

- to promote the sharing of information and experience relating to digital pest countermeasures.
- to raise awareness of the role of good software and systems design in controlling digital pests.
- to raise the awareness of open-source countermeasures within the broader ICT community

FORMAT

The event is made up of 45 minute talks, comprising mostly speaking time and an allowance for questions. We encourage both technical and non-technical presentations, on topics including:

- anti-virus and anti-spam solutions
- anti-virus and anti-spam software internals
- methodology - vulnerabilities exploited by spammers and virus authors
- user education
- legalities (e.g. fighting spam in the courts)
- ISP strategies
- the role of government

All speakers receive free registration.

TIMETABLE

Please send abstracts (around 100 words) or expressions of interest by close of business on Friday 31st December, 2004. A formal paper is desirable, but not required. Presentations shorter than 45 minutes will also be considered.

SUBMISSIONS

Please e-mail submissions to dps@auug.org.au. You should include: title, author contact details (email and phone), an outline of the subject matter (3-4 paragraphs) and a brief bio.

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About AUUG Inc

AUUG: The Organisation for Unix, Linux and Open Source Professionals

AUUG's role is building a community by connecting, supporting and promoting people with an interest in interoperable computing – which we see as a key to achieving fitness for purpose and value for money in Information and Communication Technology.

Our members are professionals who care about

- Unix operating systems from proprietary vendors
- Linux, BSD and other Open Source operating systems
- Open standards, specifically those which enable the free and unrestricted interchange of information
- Open Source applications, regardless of the platform they run on.
- other cool technical stuff