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# aamas-06

Fifth International Joint Conference on  
Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems  
**FUTURE UNIVERSITY-HAKODATE  
JAPAN**

**8-12 May 2006**   
<http://www.fun.ac.jp/aamas2006>



## important dates

Electronic abstract submission due: Oct.6,2005  
Electronic paper submission due: Oct.9,2005  
Notification: Dec.20,2006  
Conference dates: May8-12,2006

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## Hakodate, Japan, 8-12 May, 2006

AAMAS-06 is the fifth conference in the AAMAS series, following the enormously successful conferences in Bologna, Italy (2002), Melbourne, Australia (2003), New York City, USA (2004), and Utrecht, the Netherlands (2005). AAMAS-06 will be held in the internationally famous tourist city of Hakodate, Japan. Hakodate was one of the two Japanese ports opened for trading with foreign countries in 1854. At that time, Hakodate led the rest of the country in modernization. Now Hakodate has a population of 300,000, and has attracted countless visitors with its beautiful scenery, spectacular night view, hot springs, and fine cuisine especially fresh seafood. The conference will be located at Future University-Hakodate, which was designed with interdisciplinary research at its core. In particular, the university is dedicated to research in information and communication technologies, including artificial intelligence, which plays an essential role. Hakodate is located in the northern part of Japan. A flight from Tokyo/Haneda to Hakodate takes approximately 1 hour.

## Information for authors

AAMAS-06 encourages the submission of theoretical, experimental, methodological, and applications papers. Theory papers should make clear the significance and relevance of their results to the AAMAS community. Similarly, applied papers should make clear both their scientific and technical contributions, and are expected to demonstrate a thorough evaluation of their strengths and weaknesses in practice. Papers that address isolated agent capabilities (for example, planning or learning) are discouraged unless they are placed in the overall context of autonomous agent architectures or multi-agent system organization and performance. The topics of interest are listed on the conference website. A thorough evaluation is considered an essential component of any submission process. All submissions will be rigorously peer reviewed and evaluated on the basis of the quality of their contribution.

In addition to conventional conference papers, AAMAS-06 also welcomes the submission of papers that focus on implemented systems, software, or robot prototypes. These papers require a demonstration of the prototype at the conference and should include a detailed project or system description specifying the hardware and software features and requirements.

## Tutorial and workshop programs

Like previous AAMAS conferences, AAMAS-06 will include an extensive program of workshops and tutorials by internationally renowned speakers. Details on how to submit proposals for workshops and tutorials will be announced later this year. Please monitor the conference website for details.

## Agent software and robot demos

During the conference there will be demos of agent software applications and robot demos, possibly including a robot competition. Therefore AAMAS-06 encourages the submission of proposals for robot and software demonstrations.

## Student scholarships

As with previous AAMAS conferences, AAMAS-06 expects to be able to provide extensive financial support for students with papers accepted for publication at the conference. Details of this scheme will be announced later this year.