








# The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual iHITA Research Conference Schedule

June 19, 2016,  
8:30 AM—5:30 PM (CST)



The Ernest N. Morial Convention Center  
Room R05  
New Orleans, Louisiana, USA

<u>Time</u>	<u>Presentation</u>
8:30—9:10am	<b>Welcome Reception &amp; Opening Remarks</b> Sponsored by:  Shift4 <small>Secure Payment Processing</small>
9:10—9:30am	<b>Discussion Session</b> Introducing PineappleSearch.com – A Hospitality-specific Search Site <i>Davy Schoon, Head Developer at Hsyndicate</i> 
9:35—9:55am	Measuring Booking Intention: Using Verbal Mimicry and Emoticons on Responding to Online Reviews in Hotels <i>Jonilda Bahja, Cihan Cobanoglu, Katerina Berezina &amp; Bhuvan Unhelkar, all from University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee</i>
10:00—10:20am	Factors Influencing Consumers' Word-of-Mouth Behaviors on Facebook <i>Lingzhi Guo, Zhenxing Mao, both from Cal Poly Pomona &amp; Yung-Kuei Huang, Tamkang University</i>
10:20—10:50am	<b>Coffee Break</b> Sponsored by:  Kendall Hunt <small>publishing company</small>
10:50—11:10am	The Role of Self-Service Technologies in Improving Consumer Commitment: A Transcendent Consumer Experience Perspective <i>Wei Wei, Edwin Torres &amp; Nan Hua, all from University of Central Florida</i>
11:15—11:35pm	Are Customers Ready for Tablet-Based Menus? An Analysis of the Innovation Characteristics that Influence the Intentions to Adopt Tablet-Based Menus <i>Nataly Suarez, Katerina Berezina, both from University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee, Wan Yang, Cal Poly Pomona &amp; Susan Gordon, Purdue University</i>
11:40—12:00pm	Investigating Changes in Diners' Perceptions During Restaurant Week's Price Promotion <i>Jian Zhao &amp; Chih-Chien Chen, both from University of Nevada, Las Vegas</i>

<b>12:00—2:00pm</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b> (no-host lunch)	
<b>2:00—2:20pm</b>	<b>Keynote Address:</b> Solve for (U)X - The Industry's Need for User Experience Research <i>Lyle Worthington, Global Vice President at Hospitality Financial and Technology Professionals &amp; Technology Consultant</i>	
<b>2:25—2:45pm</b>	Risky Business or Not? Developing a Conceptual Model of Guests' Perceptions of Risk of Connecting to the Internet in Hotels <i>Cristian Morosan &amp; Agnes DeFranco, both from University of Houston</i>	
<b>2:45—4:00pm</b>	<b>Poster Session &amp; Coffee Break</b> (please see the section below for a list of the poster presentations) Sponsored by: <b>IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>4:00—4:20pm</b>	Determinants of Near-Field Communication Based Mobile Payment Technology in the Restaurant Industry <i>Anil Bilgihan, Florida Atlantic University, Ahmet Bulent Ozturk, Saba Salehi-Esfahani &amp; Nan Hua, all from University of Central Florida</i>	
<b>4:25—4:45pm</b>	Understanding Acceptance of Location-Based Services (LBS) in the Hospitality Industry <i>Sungsik Yoon &amp; Sunny Kim, both from University of Nevada, Las Vegas</i>	
<b>4:50—5:10pm</b>	<b>Workshop</b> A Paradigm for Gaining Access to PMS Applications and Training in Classroom and Online Environments <i>by Galen Collins, Northern Arizona University and Larry Gorman, Chief Technology Evangelist for SkyTouch Technology</i> Sponsored by: 	
<b>5:10—5:30pm</b>	<b>Awards Ceremony &amp; Closing Remarks</b> <i>2016 Best Research Paper &amp; Presentation Awards - sponsored by</i> <i>2016 Best Research Poster Award - sponsored by</i>	 
<b>5:45—6:45pm</b>	<b>Business Meeting</b> (Executive Board and Members in Good-Standing)	

*\* Please note that all items on this schedule are tentative*

## Poster Presentations: Room R05, 2:45—4:00pm

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Board A	Wearable Tech's Future in Travel & Hospitality <i>Michael Conyette, Okanagan College</i>
Board B	Wearable Technology in the Theme Park Industry <i>Thomas Schrier, Iowa State University</i>
Board C	An Investigation of Factors Influencing Customers' Intentions to Book Using Hospitality Sharing Economy Platforms <i>Xiaowei Xu &amp; Thomas Schrier, both from Iowa State University</i>
Board D	Intention to Leave Positive Reviews on the Sharing Economy: The Norm of Reciprocity Approach <i>Stephanie Bae &amp; Jun Kwon, both from James Madison University</i>
Board E	A Proposal to Study the Impact of Disruptive Technology on Hotel Distribution Channels <i>Sungsik Yoon &amp; Mehmet Erdem, both from University of Nevada, Las Vegas</i>
Board F	The Influence of Electronic Word-of-Mouth on Locally Sourced Restaurant Patronage <i>Yeon Ho Shin &amp; Kimberly Severt, both from University of Alabama</i>
Board G	Open Innovation Paradigm – A New Innovative Approach for Hospitality Companies <i>Redha Widarsyah, Purdue University</i>
Board H	The View of Hospitality IT Curriculum in Higher Education: A Qualitative Approach on the Perspective of Leaders in the Industry <i>Seungwon Lee, George Mason University, Mehmet Erdem, University of Nevada, Las Vegas &amp; Daniel Connolly, Portland State University</i>

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- Bill Gustafson, Cisco Systems 
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