

WINNERS OF THE 2008 ASIS&T SIG III INTERNATIONAL PAPER CONTEST

The American Society for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T) Special Interest Group on International Information Issues (SIG III) is pleased to announce the following winners of its 9th International Paper Contest:

First Place Winner:

Maqsood Ahmad Shaheen. Use of social networks and information seeking behavior of students during political crises in Pakistan. (Pakistan)

Second Place Winner:

Neela J. Deshpande & S K Pathak. Use of electronic journals in astronomy and astrophysics libraries and information centres in India: A users' perspective. (India)

Third Place Winner:

Manjunath K. Technology and customer expectation in academic libraries: A special reference to technical/management libraries in Karnataka. (India)

Fourth Place Winner:

S. M. Pujar, R. K. Kamat, S. Y. Bansode, R. R. Kamat, & S. H. Katigennavar. Identifying and exploiting human needs for people centric evolving knowledge society: A case study of Indian ICT emergence. (India)

Fifth Place Winner:

Tariq Ashraf. Empowering people through information: A case study of India's right to information act. (India)

Sixth Place Winner:

Pramila Dangwal. Information: By the people, for the people, for development. (India)

The jurors for the 2008 competition included Judy Jeng (Chair), Jonathan Levitt (Co-Chair), Aaron Bowen, Yunfei Du, Julian Warner, and Yin Zhang.

The principal authors of each of the six winning papers will be awarded a two-year individual membership to ASIS&T. In addition, the first place winner will be awarded a minimum of \$1,000 to attend the ASIS&T Annual Conference in Columbus, Ohio, October 24-29, 2008.

Those winning papers and other submitted papers for the competition will be considered for publication by Elsevier's *International Information and Library Review*.

We thank the jury members for their hard work and our donors for their compassion which makes it possible to develop and sustain this international network of scholars in developing countries.