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The APMAA Doctoral Colloquium offers an opportunity for PhD students to receive high-quality feedback from external reviewers, and to interact with peers, exchange ideas, discuss concepts, and establish formal and informal cooperation with various research groups. Doctoral students and candidates at all stages are welcome to submit **a thesis-position paper**, but preference will be given to students at *the earlier stages of their doctoral work*. A **thesis position paper**, should clearly state:

- The original key idea / hypothesis of the thesis
- The problem domain and the specific problem addressed
- An overview of related work in the area of the PhD work
- Methodological approach
- Research carried out

A student at an earlier stage can present the original key idea or hypothesis that they would like to develop, including the problem domain and the specific problem addressed; An overview of related work in the area of the PhD work; a possible methodological approach and then elaborate on the specific paper they would like to present. It can be a case study, a pilot work discussion, a proposed data analysis etc. The sessions will allow students to get international feedback from the discussants and other participants. The feedback can be used to improve the paper in terms of data analysis, literature review, theoretical underpinning etc.

What is the APMAA Doctoral Colloquium?

APMAA Doctoral Colloquium provides a unique opportunity for doctoral students to develop their research ideas, to learn about the challenges of conducting research and building a successful academic career, and to broaden their professional network.

The colloquium has the following objectives:

- Provide a setting where students can present their work and meet other students,
- Provide feedback on students' current research and guidance on future research directions,
- Offer each student comments and fresh perspectives on their work from researchers and students outside their own institution,
- Promote the development of a supportive community of scholars and a spirit of collaborative research, and
- Contribute to the conference goals through interaction with other researchers and conference events.