

Review Form Response

Review FOSS4G Academic Track Submission

This form is for reviewing a FOSS4G Academic Track Submission.

Remarks to the editors *

This is a really descriptive paper of a phone-based crowdsourcing app. It is an interesting app and great that it is being worked on. The technology used is relevant for FOSS4G. Also the development of the app began in London so it is a nice example of work being done in the UK. From an academic research side, it is a very weak paper and appears to have been submitted with some reference problems or open questions. Also, the Figures were not included. I tried the supplementary file on the review website but it appeared to be the same paper.

Remarks to the author

This paper summarizes a system called "Taarifa" which is a location-based application built to allow citizens in communities to report public health, waste and other issues. In this paper the authors describe the Taarifa project from initial ideas until deployment.

The paper goes on to describe the hackathon and the decision to fork the ushahdi platform.

Recommendation *

- Strong Accept and recommendation for inclusion in Transactions in GIS
- Strong Accept
- Weak Accept
- Reject

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