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SPLC requested addition at rank A

Submission is good with a good range of data.

Comparators ECSA, MODELS, SSR were given.

submissions is very low (around 50 pa) ; acceptance rate high (around 40%). These are much lower/higher than other SE A-ranked conferences.

Senior PC h indicies moderate ; lower than most SE A Ranked conferences - 33/106 above.

WPP shows good engagement of PC with conference and many strong researchers publishing in the conference: 20/24 members 95 times ; 15/19 experts 67 times.

No centile citation index data available.

GS h5 of 22 is at low end of SE A rank range / top end B rank range.

SPLC seems to have some comparable data better than MODELS and ECSA esp WPP. But a key issue is the very small size of the conference.

The committee discussed this at length. This is at the borderline A/B and in the end the committee decided after discussion to recommend a B rank.

The conference organises could resubmit data to be reviewed in the next ranking round.