This federated event collocates under joint organization the three conceptually closely related and complementary conferences and workshops:

- **DOA’02** (Distributed Objects and Applications)
- **ODBASE’02** (Ontologies, Databases and Applications of Semantics)
- **CoopIS’02** (Cooperative Information Systems)

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**SCOPE:** All three sub-events are concerned with the distributed and ubiquity aspects of modern computing systems, and the resulting application-pull created by the Internet and the so-called "semantic web". For DOA’02, the primary emphasis is on the distributed object infrastructure; for ODBASE’02, it is on the knowledge bases and methods required for enabling semantical use; and for CoopIS’02, it is on the interaction of such technology and methods within an organization or network of organizations.

As they must, these subject areas overlap and, in fact, the organizers specifically welcome submissions in any of the areas that also emphasize the envisaged impact on or from relevant issues in the others. To stimulate this "cross-pollination", a common program of representative keynote speakers, a joint tutorial program, and a common Industry Track that runs parallel with the entire event are being assembled.

**AREAS OF INTEREST:** Broad areas of interest include, but are not limited to:

- **DOA’02**
  - Enabling Technologies
  - Middleware
  - Distributed Objects & Applications
  - Internet Computing
  - Web services

- **ODBASE’02**
  - Design, Tools & Methodologies
  - Ontologies
  - XML Databases
  - Web Semantics
  - Semantic Tools

- **CoopIS’02**
  - Cooperative Information Systems
  - Interoperation
  - Workflow systems
  - Enterprise Ontologies
  - Agent Technologies

**SOLICITATIONS:** Two kinds of submissions are being solicited:

- **Full scientific papers**, to be reviewed rigorously by at least three members of one of the Program Committees of the federated event.
- **Relevant practice reports** on on-going industrial research projects, case studies, best practices, etc. in the areas covered, mainly from industrial, business and commercial practice, to be selected for relevance and quality by a separate Industry Track Program Committee.

Selected scientific papers or practice reports will be published in the scientific conference proceedings or Industry Track proceedings, respectively.

**Submission instructions are available at:**

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- **Paper submission due:** May 31, 2002
- **Acceptance notification:** July 15, 2002
- **Final version due:** August 20, 2002

**MORE INFORMATION:** Further details on the overall event, the topics, and links to the calls for the component conferences are available at the event website: http://www.cs.rmit.edu.au/fedconf.