The third International Workshop on Empirical Requirements Engineering (EmpiRE) aims to increase the cross-fertilization of Empirical Software Engineering (ESE) methods and Requirements Engineering (RE) by actively encouraging the exchange of ideas to understand why and how the empirical methods from ESE can help to assess and improve existing or new approaches in RE.

TOPICS
We welcome papers on topics related to the application of ESE research methods in RE. In particular:
- Research methods and evaluation techniques in RE (e.g. experiments, systematic reviews, mapping studies, focus groups, grounded theory, interview-based studies, technical action research, and case studies);
- Surveys on state-of-the-art RE practices in industry;
- Critical factors, properties and metrics of RE approaches to be empirically evaluated;
- Approaches and techniques to conduct empirical studies and comparative evaluations;
- Different types of approaches and techniques to evaluate RE research;
- Experimental designs for empirical studies in RE;
- Frameworks and infrastructures for empirical studies;
- Definition and development of benchmarks for experimental evaluations;
- Reporting on the results of empirical studies about techniques, methods and tools in RE;
- Lessons learned in running empirical studies and comparative evaluations;
- Identification of strengths and weaknesses of empirical and comparative evaluation approaches;

SUBMISSIONS
We solicit submissions in the following categories:

• **Technical papers** (max 8 pages in IEEE format). Full papers describing empirical experiences in requirements engineering and reporting the results of such experiences

• **Position papers** (max 4 pages). Short papers introducing the position of the author/s on any of the topics within the scope of the workshop or visionary papers exploiting new ideas about the contribution of the empirical method in RE.

• **Student Position papers** (max 4 pages). Short papers written by 1st year PhD/Master students presenting the empirical design they used or plan to use.

All submissions will be peer-reviewed by three members of the Program Committee.

IMPRESSANT DATES
Submissions deadline: **April 29, 2013**
Notification: **May 24, 2013**
Camera-Ready: **June 7, 2013**

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Acceptance will be based on originality, contribution to the area, ability to generate discussion, quality of the paper and of the research, research completeness and maturity. Student position papers will be reviewed, but more “helpfully” than “critically”.

We look forward to receiving your submissions and seeing you in Rio in July!