

Call for SMC 2023 Special Sessions

The 2023 IEEE International Conference on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics (SMC 2023) is the flagship conference of the IEEE Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society. The theme of the 2023 SMC conference is *Improving the Quality of Life*.

Proposals for Special Sessions within SMC 2023 are solicited to help bring together the traditional SMC contributions with new ones in emerging areas under the broadest extent of systems science and engineering, human-machine systems, and cybernetics. Special sessions provide an opportunity to address a) additional topics which are not directly listed/covered by the conference topics. b) aspects related to the conference theme, c) emerging areas and hot topics that grant a focused discussion on new and innovative aspects. The involvement of TC members is encouraged. Active participation by contributors from other communities, within or outside IEEE, is also encouraged.

The proposal should include the following information: (a) Title of the special session. (b) Organizers of the special session and society affiliations. Main organizer will be the official point of contact. (c) Corresponding keywords. (d) Brief session description with 2-3 paragraphs, explaining the goal of the special session and the overarching themes of the submitted papers. (e) A list of potential paper titles, contributing authors with affiliations, corresponding authors with email. Special Session proposals should include at least six papers.

<u>Full papers</u> (up to six pages) will undergo the same peer-review process as all other SMC 2023 papers and an approximate 60% acceptance rate is expected. Accepted and presented papers will appear in the conference proceedings and in IEEE Xplore.

The Special Sessions proposals will be evaluated based on the importance of the topic and timeliness and the impact onto the SMC community.

Preparing and Submitting Special Sessions Proposals

Use the template provided online. Proposals in PDF must be submitted via PaperCept (using the Special Sessions Proposal Submission category) by the deadline listed below.

Important Dates

February 15, 2023: Special Sessions Proposals Submission Deadline

March 1, 2023: Notification of Special Sessions Proposal Acceptance

March 30, 2023 April 15, 2023: Deadline for Full Paper Submissions to Approved Special Sessions (via PaperCept)

All questions concerning Special Sessions Proposal submissions should be directed to the SMC 2023 Special Sessions Chair.

SMC 2023 Special Session Chair

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