



## Call for Special Sessions

The ISCAS 2018 Organizing Committee invites proposals for Special Sessions to be held during the **2018 IEEE Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS2018)** in Florence, Italy from 27th May till 30th May 2018 (<http://iscas2018.org/>). ISCAS is the flagship conference of the IEEE CIRCUITS AND SYSTEMS SOCIETY (<http://www.ieee-cass.org/>). Special sessions complement the regular technical program by highlighting new and emerging research topics or innovative applications of established approaches. The topic of a special session proposal should be timely and compelling.

While we welcome special sessions in all areas of Circuits and Systems, we are particularly interested in focused research topics, specifically those related to the following innovation themes:

- Big Data Processing
- Cognitive Computing & Deep Learning
- EDA Methodologies
- Internet of Things
- Personalized Healthcare Systems
- Smart Manufacturing & Industry 4.0
- Smart Systems for Automotive

Special sessions can also cover any other area focusing on challenging open problems of relevance in applications.

The participation of speakers from industry in a special session proposal is encouraged and will be positively evaluated when the proposal is assessed.

Note that all papers will be subject to the same peer review process as for regular papers.

Special Session Proposals Submission	October 9, 2017
Special Session Proposals Acceptance	October 23, 2017
Special Session Papers Submission Deadline	November 20, 2017
Notification of acceptance (for all papers)	January 15 <b>23</b> , 2018
Final submission deadline	February 19 <b>28</b> , 2018



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## Special Sessions Proposal

Please submit proposals (approximately 3 pages) in pdf format by email to the Special Sessions Co-Chairs, with copy to [iscas-ss@ieee-cas.org](mailto:iscas-ss@ieee-cas.org). Proposal should include the following information:

1. **Title and abstract:** Propose a title and a brief abstract of no more than approximately 100 words that will allow conference attendees to understand the topic and the focus of the special session.
2. **Rationale:** Please explain why the topic of the special session is novel and timely, why it is relevant to the ISCAS community and how it possibly fits within the innovation themes listed in the previous page.
3. **Proposed speakers:** Provide a list of all talks, speakers, and co-authors (in each associated paper). Technical sessions are normally expected to have 5 papers. In exceptional cases (like industrial talks, or contribution by particularly renowned speakers) it may be possible to have sessions of one talks without an associate paper or a talk which will have a double-time slot for the presentation. In these cases, please contact the Special Sessions Chairs in advance (before submitting your proposal) to explain the rationale of your request.
4. **Biographies:** Provide a short bio-sketch of the session proposers.

Important aspect in the evaluation of special session proposals will be the timeliness of the topic, quality/track record of the proposers and speakers, coherence of the session and expected value added to the overall technical program. Notifications of acceptance/rejection will be provided by 23rd October 2017.

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