IEEE Multimedia Signal Processing (MMSP) Workshop 2012
Invitation to Submit Proposals

The Multimedia Signal Processing Technical Committee (MMSP-TC) of the IEEE Signal Processing Society, which is the organizer of the MMSP workshop, invites proposals for the 2012 workshop edition. The primary aim of the MMSP workshop is to promote the advancement of multimedia signal processing research and technology with special emphasis on the interaction, coordination, synchronization, and joint processing of multimodal signals.

Proposals are open to all regions, but to keep with the practice of regional rotation, preference will be given to proposals from Regions 1~7 and 9 (America). Proposals should be submitted electronically to MMSP-TC Chair, Dr. Philip A. Chou at pachou@microsoft.com by the deadline indicated below. Proposals should address the following content, format and scheduling requirements. Proponents are strongly encouraged to present their proposal at the TC meeting to be held during MMSP 2010 in Saint-Malo, France.

Content:

Propose a well-defined theme for the workshop

- The theme should reflect emerging and interdisciplinary topics that are relevant to the multimedia signal processing community.
- The theme should emphasize the multimodal aspects, or the aspects that are applicable to multiple modalities, rather than single modal aspects of signal processing.
- The theme should be well defined, sufficiently specialized to create focus, and of significant interest to the MMSP community at large. Examples may be found from the web pages of recent MMSP workshops.
- The proponents are encouraged to propose a single theme although in some instances two themes may be appropriate as long as each covers both oral and poster sessions.
- The proposed theme will be evaluated and possibly refined by the MMSP-TC.

List the planned technical program components

- The proponents are encouraged to include in the planned technical program: keynote talks, overview talks and panels. Special sessions and demo sessions are desired but optional.

Format: Propose a clear format of the workshop.

- The proponents are asked to suggest a three-day format. The format should combine focused theme topics with general topics of interest to the MMSP audience. Examples of formats include: one day allocated for the focused theme and one day allocated for general MMSP topics; or interleaving the topics over three days.
- Proposals for other format solutions with sound rationale are also welcome.

Team: Propose an organizing team of the workshop.

- The proponents are asked to provide a list of key organizing committee members. The organizing committee should be international and should have proven experience in organizing events like MMSP or other international conferences.
- Inclusion of at least one current or past member of the MMSP TC in the key organizing committee members, perhaps as technical program co-chair, is encouraged.

Scheduling, Location and Costs: Propose a clear scheduling of the MMSP workshop

- Proposals for MMSP are encouraged to select a location that is easily accessible. The characteristics of the venue and costs associated should be included. Inclusion of a preliminary budget is encouraged.

Paper Review: Propose solutions to bring in additional reviewers outside the MMSP-TC.

- The MMSP TC members are responsible for reviewing the papers submitted to the MMSP workshop.
- A system wherein there are two or more primary reviewers for each paper, with a TC member serving as one of the reviewers, is desired.
- The proposal should estimate how many reviewers will be needed, and indicate how and how many additional good quality reviewers outside the MMSP TC will be recruited.
- The proponents are expected to build a database of reliable and good quality reviewers, which can be enhanced upon the previous years' reviewer base. The final database of reviewers, authors, and attendees should be turned in to the MMSP-TC at the conclusion of the workshop.

Timetable for Proposal Submission and Evaluation:

- Proposal submission deadline September 15, 2010
- Evaluation of proposals by MMSP-TC: October 6, 2010 (MMSP TC Meeting during MMSP 2010)
- Notification of decision to proponents: October 31, 2010

References:

1. List of MMSP workshop locations

Year	Location	Time	URL
1997	Princeton, NJ	June 23-25	
1998	Redondo Beach, CA	Dec. 7-9	
1999	Copenhagen, Denmark	Sept.13-15	
2001	Cannes, France	Oct. 1-3	
2002	St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands	Dec. 9-11	
2004	Siena, Italy	Sept. 29-Oct. 1	
2005	Shanghai, China	Oct. 30-Nov. 2	http://www.mmsp05.missouri.edu/

2006	Victoria, Canada	Oct. 3-6	http://research.microsoft.com/workshops/MMSP06/
2007	Chania, Crete, Greece	Oct. 1-3	http://www.mmsp2007.org/
2008	Cairns, Queensland, Australia	Oct.8-10	http://mmsp08.org/
2009	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Oct. 5-7	http://mmsp09.org/
2010	Saint-Malo, France	Oct. 4-6	http://www.mmsp2010.org/
2011	Hang Zhou, China	Oct. 18-20	

MMSP Conference Proceedings:

http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/RecentCon.jsp?punumber=4800&conhome=5958

MMSP TC website: http://ewh.ieee.org/cmte/mmsp/

2. Related Conferences in 2012

Conference	Location	Time	URL
ICASSP	Kyoto, Japan	May 25-30	http://www.icassp2012.com/
ICME	TBD	Summer	
ICIP	Orlando, Florida, USA	Sept. 30-Oct.3	http://www.icip2012.com/
ICPR	Tsukuba, Japan	Nov. 11-15	http://www.icpr2012.org/
ECCV	Florence, Italy	Oct. 7-13	
InterSpeech	Portland, OR, USA	Sept. 9-13	http://www.interspeech2012.org/
ACM MM	TBD	Fall	
See http://lcd.siva.free.fr/siva-conferences.html for other conferences related to signal, image and video			