

Call for Proposals - SLT 2024

January 2023

Following on the success of the bi-annual SLT workshop over the past decade, the IEEE Speech and Language Technical Committee invites proposals to host the 2024 IEEE Workshop on Spoken Language Technology (SLT 2024). Past SLT workshops have fostered a collegiate atmosphere through a thoughtful selection of venues, thus offering a unique opportunity for researchers to interact and learn.

The proposal should include the information outlined below.

- Workshop location and practicalities
 - Geographical location
 - Workshop venue (facilities, meeting rooms, network access during the workshop, audio/visual equipment)
 - Accommodation -- hotel availability and pricing
 - Meals
 - Transportation options -- major airports, logistics, visas
 - Climate
 - Information on how the organizers would respond in facing the COVID-19 situation.
- Approximate workshop dates
 - Previous workshops have been held in the month of December
- Approximate total cost for participants to attend, including accommodation, meals, and registration fees.
- Estimated budget for 300-400+ participants and expected sponsorships, including venue costs, administration, banquet, coffee breaks, publication costs, etc.
- Committee Personnel
 - General chair(s)
 - Technical chairs
 - Local arrangements chair(s)
 - Other committee members and roles
- Tentative program
 - Dates for paper submission, notification of acceptance, proposals for demonstrations, early registration
 - Reception, talks, posters, demo session, banquet, etc.
 - Substantial program additions/changes vs. past instances of SLT

The deadline for proposals is June 15, 2023.

Please send proposals and questions to the workshop sub-committee: Zhijian Ou (ozj@tsinghua.edu.cn), Abdelrahman Mohamed (abdo@fb.com), Seokhwan Kim (seokhwk@amazon.com), Hagai Aronowitz

(hagaia@il.ibm.com), Sibel Oyman (soyman@apple.com), Haitao Mi (haitaomi@global.tencent.com). In July, the IEEE SLTC will review proposals, and selection results are expected by August 15, 2023.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal, we encourage you to contact the workshop sub-committee in advance of submitting a proposal. They can provide an example of a past successful proposal and example budget. Further, proposers who make contact before May 31, 2023 may be invited to briefly present in-person or virtually at the annual IEEE SLTC meeting at ICASSP 2023 (<https://2023.ieeeicassp.org/>) to obtain feedback from the SLTC. Presentations should be reasonably specific but need not be complete. Note that the SLTC does not have funding available for travel to ICASSP.

The organizers of the SLT workshop do not have to be SLTC members, and we encourage submissions from all potential organizers. IEEE SLTC members are welcome to participate in proposals, and the organizing committees of past SLT events have included many SLTC members. To maintain fairness of selection, SLTC members who are affiliated with any SLT 2024 proposals will not participate in the proposal selection vote. Further, the members of the workshops sub-committee may not be affiliated with any SLT 2024 proposals. Please feel free to distribute this call for proposals far and wide, and invite members of the speech and language community at large to submit a proposal to organize the next SLT workshop.

For more information on the most recent workshops, please see:

<https://slt2022.org/> for information about SLT 2022 in Doha, Qatar

<http://2021.ieeeslt.org/> for information about SLT 2021 in Shenzhen, China

<http://www.slt2018.org/> for information about SLT 2018 in Athens, Greece

And feel free to contact the workshops sub-committee with questions.

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