IEEE Multimedia Signal Processing (MMSP) Workshop 2018
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 2018 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 Asia/Pacific. The proponents should first send an intention letter prior to the proposal submission, and then submit their proposal electronically to the MMSP-TC Chair, Prof. Enrico Magli (enrico.magli@polito.it), by the deadlines indicated below. The proponents of the finalist proposals will be invited to present their bid at MMSP 2016, in Montreal, Canada.

The proposals should address the following content, format and scheduling requirements.

Content: 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, demo sessions and on-going work sessions are desired but optional.
- The proponents may choose to organize a special track on some relevant and timely research topic, e.g. inviting a keynote speaker and/or organizing a special session or a panel. Organizing a special track is not mandatory, but can be beneficial to the quality of the MMSP workshop as it may attract specific communities to submit papers and attend. Successful tracks are expected to involve emerging and interdisciplinary multimedia topics, multimodality, or industry-related topics.

Format: Propose a clear format of the workshop.
- The proponents are asked to suggest a three-day format. The format may combine general topics of interest to the MMSP audience with specific items such as a special track.
- 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 should take into account the accessibility of workshop location. From past experience, easily reachable locations tend to attract a higher number of submitted papers. The characteristics of the venue and costs associated should be included in the proposal. Inclusion of a preliminary budget is highly 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:

- Intention letter of proponents to the TC Chair: July 1st, 2016

- Proposal submission deadline: August 15th, 2016

- Presentation of finalist proposals at MMSP 2016, 21-23 September, 2016, in Montreal, Canada.

- Notification of decision to proponents: December 15th, 2016

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. 17-19	http://www.mmsp2011.org/
2012	Banff, Canada	Sept. 17-19	http://www.mmsp2012.org/
2013	Sardinia, Italy	Sept. 30-Oct. 2	http://www.mmsp2013.org
2014	Djakarta, Indonesia	Sept. 22-24	http://mmsp2014.ilearning.me/
2015	Xiamen, China	Oct. 19-21	http://www.mmsp2015.org
2016	Montreal, Canada	Sep. 21-23	http://mmsp2016.ece.mcgill.ca/
2017			

MMSP Conference Proceedings: http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/conhome.jsp?punumber=1000482

MMSP TC website: http://www.signalprocessingsociety.org/technical-committees/list/mmsp-tc/

2. Related Conferences in 2018

Conference	Location	Time	URL
ICASSP		Mar. 5-9	
ICME		Summer	
ICIP		October	
ACM MM	Seoul, Korea	Fall	
See http://lcd.siva.free.fr/siva-conferences.html for other conferences related to signal, image and video			