

Call for Special Sessions

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Special Sessions consist of a group of papers having a common, unified theme. These types of sessions are excellent opportunities to give the audience depth and breadth of exposure to a particular issue, in a way not possible through a single paper. Furthermore, a Special Session presents many viewpoints on a topic area, in a way not possible through a typical tutorial.

Persons wishing to organize a Special Session should submit a proposal in PDF format to *all* Special Session Co-Chairs any time up to 1 February 2008. Proposals should include:

1. Title of the Special Session
2. A concise description of the subject area. This description will be posted on the conference website in an area dedicated to Special Sessions, and serve as the Call for Special Session.
3. Names of referees (editorial review team) who will review the submitted manuscripts.
4. Names of Special Session co-chairs (these persons must attend the conference).

Organizers of accepted proposals will be notified within two weeks of submitting proposals. At this time, they should contact their editorial review team, and prospective authors.

The online submission system will be open for Special Session papers until 5 April 2008. [Note that this deadline is different than for regular conference papers.](#)

All reviews must be completed by 2 June 2008 (same deadline as for regular paper reviews). A Special Session organizer has approximately 2 months to complete the review work and recommendations (5 April - 2 June).

Authors of Special Session submissions will be notified of acceptance at the same time as regular paper authors (9 June 2008). Rejected Special Session papers will not be considered for regular sessions. The decision of the Technical Program Committee is final.

One complimentary, regular conference registration will be offered for each Special Session organized.

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Important Dates Summary

Last day for submitting Special Session proposals	1 February 2008
Accepted proposals notified	within two weeks of submission
Special Session papers submission deadline	5 April 2008 (different than regular papers)
Reviews completed	2 June 2008
Authors notified of acceptance/rejection	9 June 2008