Call for Special Sessions

The Organizing Committee of the 2026 IEEE/SICE International Symposium on System Integration (SII 2026) invites professionals in system integration to propose special sessions to be held during the conference in Cancun, Mexico. Special sessions provide the opportunity to focus on particular emerging topics that are not reflected in the list of conference tracks or represent specific working fields where researchers would like to meet and discuss advances.

Proposal Content

If you intend to propose and organize a special session, please provide us with a proposal using the official template, and including the following information:

- Title of the special session.
- Organizers of the special session.
- Abstract of the special session (approx. 100 words).
- Brief description of the area of interest and topic significance (approx. 100 words).
- A list of potential paper titles, authors, reviewers, and their affiliations.

Once approved, the organizers are responsible for publicizing the special session among researchers and practitioners in the field and attracting a sufficient number of papers.

Papers submitted to special sessions will undergo the same review process as regular papers. The special session organizers of the respective special session are responsible for organizing the review process, ensuring at least three reviews per paper. This includes the selection of reviewers from their peers.

Before starting the review process, special sessions organizers must explicitly declare papers that present a conflict of interest for them. A conflict of interest arises where the judgment of a paper quality can be influenced by the organizers being authors or knowing some of the authors. To ensure independent reviews, this conflict must be marked as such in the submission system and the special sessions organizers notified so that they can arrange the review process.

A minimum of **six** accepted papers with authors from at least **three** independent institutions is required for each session. If a session has too few papers, accepted papers will be allocated to regular sessions wherever possible. In the case of weakly organized special sessions, the conference organizers will support the session organizers with advice, but will also consider cancellation of the respective special session.

Organizers of a successful special session will get **one** free registration for each special session with more than **six** papers submitted to the special session and included in the final program. Only **one** organizer of each special session will get **one** free registration (upon request).

Proposal Submission

Submit your proposal through the PaperPlaza Conference/Journal Management System in PDF format. After you finish your proposal submission, a confirmation email from PaperPlaza will be sent to your registered email address. In this email, you can find the invited session identification code. This code should be included in each paper submission. Please inform all of your potential authors about this code.

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For uploading the special session proposal, please log in from "Submit a contribution to SII 2026" on the PaperPlaza Conference/Journal Management System and use the template below.

https://sice-si.org/SII2026/documents/proposal-template-for-special-sessions.docx

Important dates:

- **Proposal submission deadline:** ~~June 30, 2025~~ **July 14, 2025.**
- Proposal acceptance notification: ~~July 15, 2025~~ July 22, 2025.