

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

APSIPA Annual Summit and Conference 2026
for Special Sessions

 November 9-12, Bangkok, Thailand

Bangkok riverside skyline at dusk, Thailand.



OBJECTIVES

The Organizing Committee of APSIPA ASC 2026 cordially invites proposals for Special Sessions (SS). These sessions aim to provide a focused forum for participants to discuss emerging topics or innovative applications that complement the regular program. We encourage potential organizers to submit their proposals relevant to the theme and areas of APSIPA ASC 2026.



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SUBMISSION

Submit your proposals online at:

<https://bit.ly/apsipa-asc26-CfP-SS>



IMPORTANT DATES

- Initial proposal submission: **June 5, 2026**
- Notification of proposal acceptance: **June 5, 2026**
- Special Session paper submission: **June 15, 2026**
- Notification of paper acceptance: **July 31, 2026**
- Camera-ready paper submission: **August 15, 2026**
- Registration: **August 15, 2026**
- Paper presentation dates: **November 9-12, 2026**



INQUIRIES

- **Special Session:** Email to all chairs of Special Sessions.
- **General Information:** Email to Secretariat (jetsada.arn@mahidol.ac.th).



ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT AND POLICIES

For accepted Special Session proposals, the APSIPA ASC 2026 will provide the following support:

- Dedicated session at the main conference venue.
- Basic audiovisual facilities consistent with conference standards.
- Coffee/tea breaks in accordance with the session schedule.

Please note that the conference does not cover honoraria, travel expenses, accommodation, and registration fee for SS organizers and paper presenting authors. SS organizers are responsible for coordinating their authors' participation and ensuring their availability for the SS paper presentations.



GUIDELINES

Each proposal should include the following information:

1. Title of the proposed Special Session
2. Session abstract: A description (max 2,000 characters) explaining the motivation, timeliness, and the specific contribution to the field.
3. Organizers: Name, affiliation, email, biography.
4. List of Committed Papers: Each proposal should include (i) at least 5 tentative papers and (ii) a recruitment plan to reach the target of 10 papers per SS. The intended 90-minute session structure is: 60 minutes oral "pitches" (up to 10 papers x (5 min talk + 1 min Q&A)) followed by 30 minutes poster presentations for the same papers. If the final number is below the target after submission/review, the Organizing Committee may merge closely related sessions (or take other standard program-shaping measures) so that the final program fits the intended structure. For each listed paper, please provide:
 - Provisional title.
 - Corresponding author (name, affiliation, email and biography).
 - Co-authors (name, affiliation, email).
 - Tentative abstract.

Notes about author policy: An organizer should appear in no more than one paper within the session except for an additional introductory/overview paper.



EVALUATION CRITERIA

- **Quality & Impact:** Innovation of the proposed topic, along with the expected technical quality and collective impact of the contributed papers.
- **Organizer & Author Profile:** The professional background and diversity of the session organizers and contributing authors.
- **Technical Committee (TC) Alignment:** Proposals should address emerging topics that may not fully align with a single TC. However, proposers must identify the TC(s) closely related to their topic for better coordination.
- **Final Acceptance:** Selection of a proposal does not guarantee final session acceptance. Each paper must pass a rigorous peer-review process similar to regular submissions. Only sessions with high-quality accepted papers will be scheduled as lecture sessions in the technical program.



FORMAT & DURATION

Each Special Session is a 90-minute session with the following structure:

60 minutes

Oral "pitches"

Up to 10 papers
(5 min talk + 1 min Q&A)

+

30 minutes
Poster presentations
For the same papers

