

## SLT 2018 Call for Special Sessions

The IEEE Workshop on Spoken Language Technology (SLT) will be held from 18 - 21 December 2018 in Athens, Greece, Europe. Encompassing the current deep learning trends and traditional knowledge-based methods, SLT's 2018 main theme will be around "Spoken Language Technology in the Era of Deep Learning: Challenges and Opportunities".

SLT 2018 is accepting proposals for Special sessions.

All special sessions related to **spoken language technology** are welcome (see topics below). As part of our special theme, we particularly welcome the submission of special sessions that address **challenges and limitations in current deep learning approaches, and opportunities for overcoming them (including but not limited to hybrid approaches using deep learning and traditional <b>knowledge-based methods)**.

We invite submissions from the wider area of spoken language technology, with emphasis on the following topics:

- Speech recognition and synthesis
- Spoken language understanding
- Spoken document retrieval
- Question answering from speech
- Assistive technologies
- Natural language processing
- Evaluation methodologies
- Multimodal processing
- Human/computer interaction
- Spoken dialog systems
- Speech data mining
- Emotion recognition from speech
- Spoken document summarization
- Spoken language corpora
- Speaker/language recognition
- Evaluation methodologies

## **Submission Procedure**

Special session organizers are invited to submit a 2-3 pages proposal describing the topic of the special session by **8 June 2018**. Submit your abstract via email to specialSLT2018@ieee.org.

The submitted abstracts will be reviewed by Special Session and Tutorial chairs and will be accepted/rejected for presentation.

Abstracts should briefly outline the session, including application and system design. Additionally, information should be provided on equipment requirements.

The deadline for Special Session submission is Friday 8 June 2018 at 23h59.

<u>Please note</u>: There are no additional fees for the special sessions, however all presenters will have to register to SLT 2018.

## **Important Dates**

Special Session Submission: 8 June

Special Session Notifications: 22 June

Early Registration Deadline: 17 September

Workshop: 18 - 21 December

## Venue

The venue for SLT 2018 is the Royal Olympic Hotel in Athens, Greece. Athens is a historic city and the capital of Greece, located in the south-east part of the Mediterranean Sea.

The emblematic city of democracy provides for amazing sightseeing, great food tastings and endless strolls and shopping in the buzzing festive capital.

For accommodation and more information visit http: www.slt2018.org/accommodation

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