



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 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 EDT**.

Please note: 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 & Author Registration Deadline: ~~17 September~~ **28 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](http://www.slt2018.org/accommodation)

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