Conference Publication Program Overview

RAS Conference Organizer Workshop
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Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre
Agenda

- Publication Chair’s Role
- Publishing with IEEE – The Conference Publication Program
- Publication Tools
- Non Presented Papers
- Communication Guidelines
The Publications Chair

- Responsible for the production of all material that is published in relation to the conference
- Author management/relations
  - Obtain copyright form from authors
- Publishing Logistics
  - Selecting production vendor, conference brochure, inclusion of papers from special tutorial sessions, exclusion of non-presented papers if conference policy dictates
- The Publications Chair is responsible for submitting the conference proceedings to post-conference publishers such as IEEE
- Publication Tools
Publishing with IEEE

Benefits

- Authors will find that publishing with IEEE ensures professional development and exposure of their work
- IEEE journals and conference proceedings receive nearly three times the patent citations of competing publishers, which gives IEEE authors a distinct mark of credibility with trusted content
- Tools available to help manage your workflow and make it easy to publish and deliver your content to your readers
- IEEE maintains active partnerships with indexing providers to maximize the discovery of author works
Conference Publication Program (CPP)

Indexing

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IEEE Conference Publications Program

Timeline

Conference Occurs

Submit
IEEE Publication Form to request publication in IEEE Xplore®

- Letter of Acquisition is sent and Publication Chair confirms intention to publish
- Publication Chair or vendor prepares conference proceedings
- Organizer sends conference proceedings to MCE
- Publications team receives, checks & submits to IEEE Xplore
How to Publish

Four Basic Steps

1. Complete the IEEE Publication Form
2. Receive confirmation of your publication by IEEE and authorize the Letter of Acquisition, via an electronic signatory process
3. Collect and submit to IEEE the copyright forms for each accepted paper in the conference proceedings
4. Prepare and submit the conference proceedings to IEEE
IEEE Conference Publication Form

The Conference Publication Program (CPP) assures wide distribution of conference proceedings by providing abstracting and indexing of all individual conference papers for inclusion in worldwide databases. The CPP makes every reasonable attempt to ensure that abstracts and index entries of content accepted into the program are included in databases provided by independent abstracting and indexing (A&I) services. Each A&I partner makes its own editorial decision on what content it will index. IEEE cannot guarantee entries are included in any particular database.

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Letter of Acquisition (LOA)

- LOA is sent out to the organizers for electronic signature confirming intentions of publishing
  - Contains relevant information for creating and submitting your conference content to IEEE
  - Information on how to title content for easy citations from IEEE Xplore
  - Formatting and quantity of what should be submitted to our team for inclusion into Xplore
  - Instructions on Copyrights, including: Obtaining copyright forms from your authors and Copyright page text
Letter of Acquisition (LOA)

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Improve Author Experience
IEEE Publication Tools & Resources

**IEEE PDF eXpress & PDF eXpress PLUS**
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**Packing List Generator**
- Program used to itemize and sequence all PDF files for the conference proceedings and create a required packing list for content submission.

**eCF2 – IEEE Electronic Copyright Form**
- Online form used to transfer ownership rights of the intellectual property to IEEE.

**Crosscheck**
- Tool compares conference proceedings against a database of published technical papers and web pages, and provides a summary report that highlights instances of plagiarism or previously published work.
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Free Service - Do it Yourself - Improve Author Experience

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Three Options

▸ Prepare it Yourself
  - Register your conference for IEEE PDF eXpress or eXpress Plus
  - This free, web based, online tool is for authors as it converts documents into IEEE Xplore® compatible PDFs

▸ Prepared by IEEE (in house vendor)
  - Contract with IEEE eXpress Conference Publishing or Conference Publishing Services (CPS) a division of the IEEE Computer Society
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  - IEEE Xplore® compliant PDFs may be prepared by a third party vendor. The vendor should review the IEEE requirements and confirm its capabilities to deliver compliant files
Packing List Generator

Required

- Itemizes all PDF files for the conference proceedings by content type (author papers, table of contents, etc.)
  - PLG ensures that all files will be accounted for during processing
  - If any files or front matter do not appear on the packing list, they will not be uploaded to IEEE Xplore®
  - The “Packing List” seen here is generated by the PLG. Place all accepted papers and front matter (table of contents, cover page etc.) into the PLG
  - Create the packing list
    - [https://www.ieee.org/conferences/organizers/preparing-xplore-papers.html](https://www.ieee.org/conferences/organizers/preparing-xplore-papers.html)
Obtaining Copyright
Obtain Copyright From Author

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  - There are a few exceptions related to permission statements, see copyright policies under the Resources section for additional detail

› Utilize the IEEE Electronic Copyright Form (eCF2)
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  - The eCF2 can save conference organizers significant time over other approaches, while also simplifying the author experience.
  - This free tool assists the author in completing the appropriate form to authorize

› What happens when an author signs the IEEE Copyright Form?
  - IEEE becomes owner of the paper when the author signs, dates and submits an IEEE Copyright Form

› Access eCF2 – General Information/Overview
IEEE Electronic Copyright Form

- How does this tool benefit a conference publication chair?
  - The burden of transferring copyright is shifted from the conference pub chair to the individual authors
  - The setup process is very quick and simple
  - A brief "wizard" process will guide authors to the appropriate form, which is signed by typing in their names and clicking on a "Submit" button
  - It is an efficient, user friendly tool for authors

- To Get Set Up - Register for Electronic Copyright Form
Plagiarism Screening

CrossCheck
What is CrossCheck?

- CrossCheck is a plagiarism-detection tool that compares submitted manuscripts against a very large database of published technical papers, as well as over 6 billion Web pages
- The Technical Program Chair typically manages CrossCheck and plagiarism reviews – needs coordination with Publications Chair
- CrossCheck provides a similarity report, for each paper, and notes a similarity percentage to previously published work
  - The IEEE Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) team is there to assist you when interpreting the reports
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- Access
  - https://mft.ieee.org/conferences_events/ConfPubFileUploadUI/
  - Complete step by step instructions on how to submit your proceedings
What is Required for Submission

- Submit the IEEE Xplore® compliant files, containing the below items to IEEE:
  - Author Papers (PDF)
  - Cover (PDF)
  - Table of Contents (PDF)
  - Copyright Page (PDF)
  - Author Index (PDF)
  - Packing List

- Your IEEE Xplore-compliant submission files are different from the media you are producing to distribute to your conference attendees
Final Checks Before Submission

› Ensure that the conference has accounted for non-presented papers and indicated them on the packing list

› Review the accepted papers one final time to ensure that they meet the IEEE specifications for upload to *Xplore*
  - Include: cover art, General Chair's message, Program Chair's message, listing of Conference Committee Chairs and Members, conference sponsors, listing of sessions, photos, and other conference-specific information

› Check to make sure you have a copyright form from each of the authors
Non Presented Papers

Communication Guidelines
Non-Presented Papers

Call for Papers

- Your “Call for Papers” must include the conference’s policy on non-presented papers, if you are intending to withhold those papers from IEEE Xplore®

- IEEE suggests you add the following statement in the call for papers:

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Non-Presented Papers

Authors are expected to attend the conference in person to present their papers and share their ideas.

- To stress the importance of an author’s responsibility to present their paper at the conference, IEEE recommends that conferences exclude any paper that was not presented at the conference.
  - This policy is not mandatory, it is the Conference Chair’s decision and only applies to conference proceedings where IEEE is the copyright holder.
  - Authors unable to attend the conference and present their papers, should contact the program chair as soon as possible so that substitute arrangements can be made for a co-author to present the paper.
  - Substitute presenters (e.g., non-co-authors) should be sufficiently familiar with the content of the paper to answer questions from conference attendees.
Non-Presented Papers

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  - Copyright of non-presented papers is still retained by IEEE
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