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Call for Proposals of Special Issues

Deadline for Proposal Submission: May 15th, 2016

Notification: June 15th, 2016

ACM TOMM is one of the world's leading journals on multimedia. Since Multimedia is a continuously growing and fast changing area of research, we believe that highly qualified Special Issues on selected hot emerging topics of Multimedia are of paramount importance for researchers to enlighten new directions and suggest innovative ideas. We also believe that the value of Special Issues is higher if they are accompanied by one invited survey on the subject given by a recognized scientist in the field.

As a new policy of ACM TOMM we are planning to publish three Special Issues per year, starting from 2017. We therefore invite highly qualified scientists to submit proposals for 2017 ACM TOMM Special Issues. Each Special Issue is in the responsibility of the Guest Editors. Proposals are accepted until May, 15th 2016. They should be prepared according to the instructions outlined below, and sent by e-mail to the Senior Associate Editor for Special Issue Management of ACM TOMM, Shervin Shirmohammadi (shervin@ieee.org) and the Editor in Chief of ACM TOMM Alberto del Bimbo (eic.tomm@gmail.com).

Instructions for submission of ACM TOMM Special Issue proposals.

Proposals must include/indicate:

- The subject topic and a tentative title of the Special Issue.
- The Guest Editors' names, position and affiliation, and for each of them, a short bio with evidence of editorial and journal/conference organization experience and research achievements/publications on the Special Issue's topic.
- Motivations for the Special Issue's topic and evidence that it is a currently-hot or emerging topic in the area of multimedia computing, communications, and applications, referring f.e. to how much such topic was successful in the main Multimedia conferences.
- If Special Issues on same or closely related subjects were already published or are under publication in other journals and explain the distinctive elements of the proposal.
- A strategy for the recruitment of high quality papers and the number of submissions expected.
- The commitment to adhere to the ACM TOMM acceptance rate.
- A draft timeline in which the Special Issue could be produced (paper writing, reviewing, and submission of final copies to TOMM), assuming the proposal is accepted. Please note that TOMM requires a review process with at least two rounds of review.

As in the tradition of ACM TOMM, the special issue will be published as online-only issue in the ACM Digital Library. This gives the Guest Editors higher flexibility in the review process and the number of papers to be accepted, while yet ensuring a timely publication.

The proposals will be reviewed by the ACM TOMM Senior Associate Editor for Special Issue Management together with the Editor in Chief. The final decision will be made by the Editor in Chief. A notification of the decision will be given by June 15st 2015. Once a proposal is accepted we will contact you to discuss the further process.

For questions please contact:

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