



Call for Special Session Proposals

The LASCAS 2016 technical program will include Special Sessions. Their objective is to complement the regular program with new or emerging topics of particular interest to the circuits and systems community that may also cut across and beyond disciplines traditionally represented at LASCAS. Each session comprises 5 oral presentations of 15 minutes each (plus 5 minutes of questions). The first paper in a Special Session may serve as an introduction to the field, aimed at outsiders.

Prospective organizers of **Special Sessions Proposals** should submit the following including:

- Title of the session.
- Rationale of the need for the Special Session at LASCAS. The rationale should stress the novelty of the topic and its multidisciplinary flavor (if any).
- Short biography of the organizers.
- List of at least four (4) contributed papers (including titles, authors, contact information of the corresponding author, and a short abstract of each contribution). Organizers should not contribute more than two papers.
- Preliminary full version of the overview paper (four-page paper).

Proposals will be evaluated based on the timeliness of the topic, the qualifications of the organizers and the authors of the contributed papers, the balance of the topics across the technical areas represented in CAS, and the presence and quality of the overview paper. Note that Special Session proposals on topics that clearly belong to well established (sub) tracks of LASCAS will not be accepted.

Timeline:

- Submission of **Special Sessions Proposal**: ~~24-October-2015~~ extended to 31 October 2015
- Submission of **full four-page manuscripts** for Special Sessions: 31 October 2015
- Notification of paper acceptance: 5 December 2015
- Deadline for submission of final papers: 21 December 2015

Full four-page manuscripts submitted to the special sessions should conform to the formatting and electronic submission guidelines of regular LASCAS papers. Papers will undergo the same review process as regular papers. It is the responsibility of the organizers to ensure that their Special Session papers meet LASCAS quality standards. If, at the end of the review process, fewer than four (4) papers are accepted, the session will be canceled and the accepted papers will be moved to regular sessions.

Special Session proposals (including the overview paper) should be sent via e-mail (in either PDF or plain ASCII text format) to the Special Session chairs, Héctor Pettenghi (hector@eel.ufsc.br) and Gloria Huertas (Gloria@us.es) by the October 24, 2015 deadline. **Four-paper manuscripts** should be submitted via easy-chair as regular papers by the October 31, 2015 deadline.