Call for Proposals: Special and Focus Sessions

Invitation to Submit Proposals for Special and Focus Sessions: Special and Focus Sessions are an integral part of the IEEE IMS2016 International Microwave Symposium technical program. Proposals for Special and Focus Sessions on topics that are of high interest to the Symposium or relevant to the microwave community are invited.

Focus Sessions: The purpose of Focus Sessions is to highlight emerging new technical topics that are gaining importance and may be of significant interest to the microwave community. Focus Sessions encompass a wide range of topics and may involve a specific emerging technology or may cover several technologies that are relevant to a common application. Emerging areas of interest include (but are not limited to):

- RF Technologies for smart vehicles and drones
- Personal connectivity and security in PAN, NFC, and PoS Payment links
- Personalized healthcare through wireless sensing and big data
- Ultra low power CMOS and energy scavenging and harvesting designs
- New materials, metamaterials, and 3D printing applications for RF/Microwave
- Advent of low-cost, personal satellites and technologies
- Next Generation 5G, 100+ GBPS wireless, and Internet of Things (IoT)

Special Sessions: The purpose of Special Sessions is to recognize events of historical significance to the microwave community as well as highlight technical achievements in a specific technical area, application space or geographical region of the world. Special Sessions may also recognize the life work of an MTT member by honoring their technical and/or service contributions to the microwave community. Examples of Special Sessions may include:

- History of Microwaves in the Bay Area
- 80th anniversary of the Doherty Patent (1936)
- Tribute to a distinguished MTT member

Submission Instructions:
Proposals for Focus and Special Sessions must be submitted through the conference website (ims2016.org) under >Authors & Organizers>Call for Proposals>Special and Focus Sessions. Questions can be sent to tpc_SpecialSessions@ims2016.org.

Download the MSWord Proposal submission form which indicates all of the required information necessary for evaluation of the proposal. The proposal form and latest information can be found at the conference website (ims2016.org) under >Authors & Organizers>Call for Proposals>Special and Focus Sessions.

It is expected that there will be sessions of both 80 minutes and 100 minutes in duration, which can accommodate four and five 20-minute papers, respectively, or three and four 20-minute papers and two 10 minute papers, for a maximum of five and six papers, respectively.

The deadline for submission of all proposals for Focus and Special Sessions is September 8, 2015.

All authors of Special and Focus Session papers must meet all paper submission requirements. There will be no exceptions, no matter how distinguished the author.