

Call for Special Sessions – GECON 2019

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Topics of Interest

With a global market for infrastructures, platforms and software services, the need to understand and deal with its implications emerges. A multitude of new interdisciplinary challenges is quickly growing. Therefore, GECON encourages the submission of papers, which combine at least one economic/legal area and one technological area. GECON's list of focus areas includes:

- Economics
- Law and Legal Aspects
- Clouds, Grids, Systems and Services
- Technologies Transforming the Economy

Important Dates

Special topic session proposal submission deadline: April 30th, 2019

Roundtable session proposal submission deadline: April 30th, 2019

Scope of Special Topic Sessions and Roundtable Sessions

GECON 2019 looks for proposals for special topic sessions and roundtable sessions. With the objective of encouraging **alternative forms of participation** that can increase the opportunity to discuss technical topics in an atmosphere that fosters the active exchange of ideas we solicit **special topic and roundtable sessions proposals**.

The special sessions program seeks to provide venues for specialist groups to meet, to generate focused discussion on specific sub-areas within the economics of distributed systems, and to engage in community-building activities. Special sessions should provide a discussion forum for researchers in topics related to topics of the conference, either on specific research themes, or in emerging areas of research.

Both roundtables and special topic sessions can be used, for example, for giving the opportunity all participants to present intermediate/final results of projects, finding partners to establish collaborative research and innovation projects, or PhD students to present and discuss their dissertations with fellow PhD students, senior scholars and industry participants.

Roundtable Session Proposal Submissions.

Roundtables provide an opportunity for participants to share information regarding their research in an informal, conversational style with interested participants. Audio-visual equipment will be provided to conduct or support discussions.

Roundtable proposals should describe briefly as many of the following as are applicable, preferably in this order:

- Objectives or purposes of the proposed discussion;
- Perspectives or theoretical/conceptual frameworks that will guide the discussion;
- Data, evidence, or resources related to the discussion topic;
- Conclusions and implications;
- Strategies to facilitate participation in the discussion; and
- Importance of the topic.

Roundtable proposals will be evaluated on:

- Importance of the topic, issue, or problem to the GECON scope;
- Clarity of objectives and intended outcomes of the session;
- Originality

Contact for roundtable proposals is

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Special Topic Session Proposal Submissions

In a topical paper session, the session organizers are proposing a complete research-paper session that consists of three to four research papers that address a particular topic. The session chair will promote the CFP for original submissions and will ensure the quality of accepted works and provide a list of qualified reviewers to evaluate original papers. Topical papers session can include a combination of regular, invited or published papers. In the case of invited or published papers, the proposal will include the names and backgrounds of presenters. Only original accepted works will be published in the proceedings.

Proposals for topical paper sessions should describe briefly as many of the following as applicable, preferably in this order:

- Objectives of the session;
- Importance of the session to GECON participants;
- Backgrounds of the presenters as related to the session topic;
- Brief description of each programmed research paper that will be presented;
- Structure and format of the session, including the designation of a session chair/moderator; and
- A list of qualified reviewers.

Topical paper session proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Contribution to knowledge (that is, the extent to which the session addresses an important problem and gap in current knowledge);
- Originality;
- Clarity of focus;
- Theoretical and methodological rigor of the research papers included in the session;
- Integration and coherence of panel's presentations as a group; and
- The overall clarity of the proposal.

Contact for special session proposals is

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Publication of Works of Special Sessions

With respect to publications of special session works, additional to regular original papers submitted to the conference (full papers, working-progress and poster abstracts), works can also be submitted under the umbrella of a special session following the usual GECON reviewing process.

Special sessions works can include a set of a long abstract about the special session, technical reports, future research visions, and exhibition tool descriptions with informal demonstrations. Regular, original, and reviewed works will be included in the Springer LNCS proceedings.