

# Call for Special Session Proposals

Special sessions supplement the regular program for ICME 2012. They are intended to cover new and emerging topics in the fields of multimedia. Each special session should provide an overview of the state-of-the-art and highlight important research directions in a field of special interest to ICME participants. It should be a focused effort rather than defined broadly.

## Requirements

Each special session should consist of at least 5 oral papers. It is encouraged that the session begins with an overview paper on the topic being addressed and that the remaining papers follow up with technical contributions on the topic.

The following information should be included in the proposal:

- Title of the proposed special session;
- Names/affiliations of the organizers (including brief bios and contact info);
- Session abstract;
- List of authors committed to submit paper (including a tentative title and a 300-word abstract for each paper).

The session abstract should answer the following three questions:

- Motivation: why is this topic important for organizing a special session in ICME 2012?
- Objective: who will be interested to submit papers?
- Target audience and key message: what can the attendees learn from this special session?

This is a competitive call. Proposals will be evaluated based on the timeliness of the topic and relevance to ICME, as well as the qualification of the organizers and quality of papers in the proposed session. Please note that all papers in the proposed session will go through a review process similar to regular papers, to ensure that the contributions are of the highest quality. Once the proposal has been approved, the organizers as well as the special session chairs will coordinate the review process.

## Important Dates

Special Session Proposal Due:	Extended to October 22, 2011
Notification of Proposal Acceptance:	October 28, 2011
Special Session Paper Submission:	November 28, 2011
Notification of Paper Acceptance:	February 27, 2012
Camera-Ready Paper Due:	April 9, 2012

To submit special session proposals or for additional information regarding the special sessions, please contact one of the Special Session Chairs: Dr. Zhen Wen ([zhenwen@us.ibm.com](mailto:zhenwen@us.ibm.com)) or Prof. Pascal Frossard ([pascal.frossard@epfl.ch](mailto:pascal.frossard@epfl.ch)).