

TEMPLATE FOR SPECIAL ISSUE PROPOSALS

IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Magazine

This template provides guidelines for potential guest editors of special issues of the *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Magazine*. Please, refer to the general *Call for Papers* document for information about the scope of the journal and suggestions about relevant topics and applications.

Topic

The proposal should introduce the overall topic of the special issue and articulate the intended content, applications, and style of the contributions. The guest editors should also describe potential subdivisions of the contributions into separate sessions.

Motivation

The main motivation of the proposed special issue should be described in terms of the timeliness and scientific/technical relevance of the proposed topic and its expected interest for the GRSM readers (i.e., the whole GRSS membership).

Relevance

The submission should include a clear description of the relevance of the proposal to geoscience and remote sensing, and to the scope of GRSM. In agreement with the approach and style of the Magazine, the guest editor should strive to creating a balanced mix between ensuring scientific depth and dissemination to a wide public, which would encompass remote sensing scientists, practitioners, and students.

Guest editors' names and credentials

Please provide the names of the proposed guest editor team. Include, for each member, a bio-sketch in the style of IEEE publications.

Preliminary schedule

The guest editors should provide a tentative schedule for all the major deadlines involved in the special issue. Please note, that, according to GRSM policy, submissions will be articulated in a two-step procedure:

- first, the guest editors should solicit a short white paper from the invited authors (4 to 5 pages in double column format). The white paper will summarize the foreseen objectives of the paper and discuss the importance of the addressed topic, the impact of the contribution, and the authors' expertise and past activities on the topic. Based on the white papers, the guest editors will select the contributions to be submitted as full papers.
- Full papers will then be peer-reviewed by international experts and those accepted for publication will be included in the special issue.

Insert in your proposal a table like the one below, assuming the suggested schedule as the **quickest possible one** and that the GEs will be required to adhere strictly to the agreed schedule.

White paper submission deadline	T1
Invitation notification	T2 = T1 + 1 month
Full paper submission deadline	T3 = T2 + 2 month
Review notification	T4 = T3 + 2 month
Revised manuscript due	T5 = T4 + 2 month
Final acceptance notification	T6 = T5 + 1 month
Final manuscript due	T7 = T6 + 1 month
Publication date	T8 = T7 + 2 month (and equal to March, June, September and December only)

Authors and Papers list

Please provide a list of a minimum of 8 papers including a paper title, authors' names and affiliations and a brief summary of the contribution.