

Call for Papers

IEICE Transactions on Information and Systems —Special Section on Human Communication IV—

The IEICE Transactions on Information and Systems announces that it will publish a special section entitled “Special Section on Human Communication” in **March 2022**.

Human Communication Studies focus on the role played by Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) in human communication processes. It is committed to improving the theory and methodology concerning the adoption, use, applications, effects, and the psychological, social, and policy implications of ICTs. Areas of research include computer-mediated communication, new media, social media, augmented and virtual reality, assistive technology, technology studies, big data, crowdsourcing, privacy, digital news, crisis, and other technologically mediated social interaction and networking at all levels of analysis (interpersonal, interpersonal, group, organizational, national, and international). The objective of this special section is to publish and overview recent progress in the interdisciplinary area of human communication. We call for papers that make an innovative and original contribution to our understanding of ICTs, with a focus on the technology itself within the context of human communication. But the topics are not limited to this domain. The related interests are highly welcomed. All submitted papers are subjected to the same review processes as those papers accepted for publication in the regular issues.

1. Scope

This special section aims at timely dissemination of research in these areas. Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

- Human communication sciences
- Human information processing
- Media experience and virtual environment
- Well-being information technology
- Assistance for developmental disorder
- Human probe
- Informatics science on cognition and behaviors
- Verbal and nonverbal communication

2. Submission Instructions

- A manuscript should be prepared according to the guideline given in “The Information for Authors” (https://www.ieice.org/eng/shiori/mokuji_iss.html). We encourage the authors to use the IEICE Style File (<https://www.ieice.org/ftp/index-e.html>). The preferred length of the manuscript is 8 pages for a PAPER and 2 pages for a LETTER with the format determined by the IEICE Style File.
- Submit the manuscript through the IEICE Web site (https://review.ieice.org/regist/regist_baseinfo_e.aspx). Choose “[Special-HC] Human Communication” in the menu of “Journal/Section” in the submission page. Do not choose “[Regular-ED] Information and Systems” or other special sections.
- Authors must agree to the “Copyright Transfer and Page Charge Agreement” via electronic submission.
- Submission deadline of the manuscript is **April 16, 2021**. (Firm deadline.)

3. Notice to the Authors

- If the paper is accepted, authors are requested to pay for the page charge.
- The standard period of 60 days between the notification (of conditional accept) and the second submission can be shortened according as the review schedule.
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