



ACM Transactions on the Web

Call for Special Issue Proposals

ACM Transactions on the Web (TWEB) is a journal publishing refereed articles reporting the results of research on Web content, applications, use, and related enabling technologies. TWEB invites proposals for special issues within the scope of [TWEB's editorial charter](#).

We seek special issue proposals that satisfy all the following requirements:

- Address a topic of relevance within the scope of TWEB.
- Attract a sufficient number of high-quality submissions.
- Ensure a rigorous peer reviewing process.

Preference will be given to special issues addressing active research topics that represent current research trends.

Proposals

Prospective guest editors should prepare a special issue proposal in PDF format.

The proposal should be convincing in terms of its capacity to attract enough high-quality submissions, typically in the range of 15-20 papers, to ensure several high-quality articles, typically 4-6, are published in the special issue.

Guest editors can solicit submissions via a general call for papers sent to relevant distribution channels. Other sources of submissions include high visibility web-related workshops and conferences. Guest editors could invite the authors of select papers from those venues (e.g., best paper winners, best paper finalists, highly ranked papers) to submit extended versions to a special issue.

The proposal must also demonstrate the capacity of the guest editors to recruit expert reviewers who can review the papers and provide constructive feedback.

The proposal should contain the following:

- **Topic** or title of the special issue
- **Guest editors**
 - Names and affiliations of (typically) 2-4 guest editors
 - Expertise: They must be leading researchers on the field of the special issue.
 - Diversity: Preferably, they should cover, e.g., different disciplines, academic and industrial institutions, different regions, diverse backgrounds.
- **Topic description**
 - Description of the focus of the special issue
 - Importance and timeliness
 - Relevance to TWEB's scope
- **Strategy to attract high-quality submissions**
 - A convincing strategy for attracting high-quality submissions
- **Related publications**
 - Survey of recent research covering the topic of the special issue, including papers, workshops, sessions at conferences, and other special issues

- **Potential reviewers**
 - List of experts to be recruited as reviewers for the special issue
 - Indicate which ones have been contacted and have agreed to serve as reviewers.
- **Timeline**
 - Include a potential timeline, from call for papers to final acceptance.
 - If a proposal is accepted, the timeline will be subject to negotiation and agreement with TWEB's Editor-in-Chief.

The proposal will be evaluated by TWEB's editorial board and revision may be required.

Guest editors are welcome to write a brief introduction/overview article, as an introduction to the special issue, but cannot be authors or co-authors of other articles in the special issue.

Submission

Please send the proposals to tweb@acm.org by end of day (AoE) on Monday May 31, 2021.

Questions

For questions, please contact Ryen White, Editor-in-Chief of TWEB at tweb@acm.org