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Instructions for Vertical & Topical Track Speaker and Session Nominations

1. Considerations

- 1.1 The Vertical and Topical (V&T) Tracks are focused on practical results and are meant for a general but knowledgeable audience of practitioners from industry, the public sector, and the research community. The emphasis is on content from actual deployments, trials, and demonstrations sharing outcomes, analysis, experiences, challenges, successes, and strategies. The content should address aspects of business, technical considerations, or societal impacts with an emphasis on sustainability.
- 1.2 We encourage nominations of speakers who can address standards, open source, reference designs, roadmaps, and meaningful consortial and collaborative activities. **Self-Nominations are encouraged! Nominations for speakers will be accepted until June 18th, 2023.**
- 1.3 The speakers should be recognized and prominent experts in selected Vertical and Topical areas that are important to IoT in general and at the same time important to our host City Aveiro, Portugal, and the surrounding region. The specific V&T areas selected for WFIoT2023 consist of:

Track	Verticals	Track	Topicals
Vert-01	Agriculture and Aquaculture	Topi-1	Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
Vert-02	Energy, Power, and Sustainability	Topi-2	Communications and Networking
Vert-03	Industry and Manufacturing	Topi-3	Computing and Data Processing
Vert-04	Maritime	Topi-4	Security, Privacy, and Trust
Vert-05	Smart Cities	Topi-5	Sensors and Devices
Vert-06	Space		

- 1.4 The speakers are chosen by invitation, by the Track and General Chairs. All the speakers will be required to register.
- 1.5 The format for the Vertical and Topical Tracks is multiple two hour Sessions. All the V&T Track Sessions will be conducted *as virtual events during the week of October 23rd – October 27th, 2023. Some sessions may be scheduled in a hybrid format during the main week of October 16th – October 20th*. There will be three or four speakers in each Session followed by a moderated discussion with open questions from the audience. Typically, a Track will consist of a minimum of five Sessions.
- 1.6 The speakers are expected to participate for the duration of the Track Session they are assigned to and encouraged to also participated in all the other Sessions for that Track. The speakers will need to: (1) provide the World Forum with a PDF or PPTX version of their presentation; (2) sign the standard IEEE release form; and (3) provide a biography, recent high resolution photograph, talk title, and abstract. This will allow their material to be posted on the conference website, publicized, and will allow the recording of the Session they are in to be posted and made generally available.

2. Instructions

- 2.1** Please be prepared with all the material that you will need to make the speaker/presenter nomination. That includes information about you as the nominator as well as information about the nominee.
- 2.2** To enter the nomination please go to the **eWorks** website which can be reached from the authors/proposer's tab from the main conference website page at <https://wfiot2023.iot.ieee.org> and follow instructions for a proposal submission. Once you have entered the preliminary information in **eWorks** you will be given three choices please select **Proposal/Nomination** as your option to submit the nomination for a speaker.
- 2.3** The information about you consists of: (1) Name and Salutation; (2) Institutional Affiliation; (3) Location; (4) Contact Information; (5) Your IEEE Membership Number if you are a member and your ORCID Number if you have one.
- 2.4** Please indicate the Vertical or Topical Track for which you are making the nomination – limit yourself to the listed V&T Tracks for the conference (Vert-1, Vert-2,Vert-5, Vert-6, or Topi-1, Topi-2,Topi-5)
- 2.5** Please upload a Word document (.docx) that includes: (1) A statement if this is a self-nomination or not. If it is the nomination of another person, please let us know if you have contacted them prior to making the nomination and that you have provided enough information that we can make the contact. As an alternative please let us know if you would prefer to make the contact for us; (2) a brief description of the topic that the nominee will be addressing; (3) a brief statement about the importance of the topic; (4) why you feel the nominee is an appropriate speaker at the conference; and (5) additional material that may include a prospective presentation title, an abstract, general background information, and the nominee's biography. Please limit yourself to four (4) pages.
- 2.6** You will be issued a unique **Proposal ID** number (**PID**) upon completion of your nomination. Please retain a record of the number as it will be used for notification of acceptance or rejection and subsequent steps.

Notification after Acceptance

- 2.7** Once the nomination has been evaluated you will be notified whether the nomination has been accepted or rejected. Accepted nominations for speakers will be notified of the Vertical and Topical Track most appropriate for their presentation and will be issued an invitation to present at the conference and further instructions.

If you need any further clarification or information, please contact one of the Vertical and Topical Program Committee Chairs:

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