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Conference Theme: Interoperability, Intellectual Property and Standards
Interoperability has never been more important than it is today. It can be achieved by design, following the market or through standardization. How does intellectual property impact interoperability? How do these factors interact with standardization? IEEE-SIIT 2015 will explore these, and other, important questions.
IEEE-SIIT conferences aim at bringing together academia, government and industry participants engaged in standardization to foster the exchange of insights and views on all issues surrounding standards, standardization, interoperability and innovation. Contributing academic disciplines include, but are not limited to: Business Studies, Computer Science, Economics, Engineering, History, Information Systems, Law, Management Studies and Sociology.

Topics
All types of papers (e.g., theoretical, empirical, case studies) are welcome that foster our understanding of interoperability, innovation and standards. Topics include, but are not limited to:
- Standardization and innovation
- Standards, intellectual property rights and antitrust law
- Open standards, open source, open innovation
- Standardization policies and regulation
- Standards in support of technology convergence
- Alternative interoperability strategies
- Adoption, implementation and diffusion of standards
- Standardization management and strategies
- Standards setting processes and organizations
- Economics of standards
- Impact of standards (e.g., on innovation, competition, or other aspects)
- Standards legitimacy
- Standards education
- History of standardization
- Standardization for developing countries
- Different regional and international standards regimes

A focus on intellectual property rights and standardization
IEEE-SIIT’s strengths include addressing cross-discipline standards and standardization issues. IEEE-SIIT 2015 will focus on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and their impact on standards and standardization as a cross-disciplinary issue. This is an opportunity to
Paper Submissions

IEEE-SIIT 2015 accepts submissions which must be original (unpublished) and follow IEEE formatting guidelines. Authors’ names and affiliations should appear on a separate cover page only, which should also identify the type of the submission:

- **Industry/Academic papers** should not exceed 10 pages (including figures, references, etc.).
- **Poster papers** should not exceed 2 pages.
- **Presentation papers**, i.e. intended for presentation only. These will not be published in the conference proceedings or Xplore, in order to allow their publication elsewhere (relevant to certain fields of science). These should not exceed 10 pages (including figures, references, etc.).

To submit a paper, please use the EDAS submission server [https://www.edas.info/newPaper.php?c=19023](https://www.edas.info/newPaper.php?c=19023). All papers will undergo a double blind peer-review process. Authors may submit more than one paper, but each author will be allowed to present only one paper during the conference. At least one author of each accepted paper is required to register with the conference and present the paper. The IEEE reserves the right to exclude a paper from distribution after the conference (e.g. removal from IEEE Xplore) if the paper is not presented at the conference.

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### Important Dates

- **Submissions due:** 3 April 2015
- **Notification of acceptance:** 26 June 2015
- **Final paper due:** 31 July 2015


### Travel Grants

We expect to be able to offer travel grants for students and for attendees from developing countries. Please contact Kai Jakobs <Kai.Jakobs@comsys.rwth-aachen.de>.

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