

The 2nd International Symposium on Machine Learning and Media Computing (MLMC 2026)

Call for Papers

Nanping, Fujian, China
July 27-30, 2026



The 2nd International Symposium on Machine Learning and Media Computing (MLMC 2026) is a flagship event with technical support from the IEEE Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society. It offers a key international forum for researchers and educators to present cutting-edge research, share innovative ideas, and explore new developments in machine learning and media computing.

Scheduled to take place on July 27-30, 2026, in Nanping, Fujian, China, MLMC 2026 will feature high quality oral presentations and special sessions sponsored by IEEE SMC and Fuzhou University. Outstanding papers and contributors will be acknowledged through a series of prestigious awards.

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Topics of interest include (but not limited to)

- Fundamental theories of machine learning
- Classification / regression / clustering
- Multi-modal/view/label/instance learning
- Generalization and robustness of models
- Heuristic optimization
- Evolutionary computation
- Efficient and lightweight model design
- Trustworthy and/or explainable AI
- Multimodal foundation models
- Media representation and quality assessment
- Media compression and delivery
- Media restoration and enhancement
- Media retrieval and recommendation
- Media interpretation and understanding
- Media security, privacy and forensics
- Cross-modal generation and interaction
- Internet of media things
- Learning and media computing on embodied AI

Important Dates

- **Tutorials & Special Sessions & Journal Presentation Submission Deadline**
3 Apr 2026
- **Tutorials & Special Sessions & Journal Presentation Acceptance Notification**
8 May 2026
- **Paper Submissions Deadline**
20 Mar 2026
- **Paper Acceptance Notification**
8 May 2026
- **Final Paper Submission Deadline**
29 May 2026
- **Author Registration Deadline**
29 May 2026

Journal Paper Presentation

Authors of papers published from 2025-2026 in all IEEE Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society fully owned journals as well as in IEEE TPAMI, IEEE TIP, IEEE TMM, IEEE TCSVT, IEEE TIFS, IEEE TSP will be given the opportunity to present their works at MLMC 2026, subject to space availability and approval by the Technical Program Committee.

Proposal, Paper Submission & Publication

Tutorial and special sessions proposals must include a title, outline, contact information, biography and invited papers/participants. Authors are invited to submit original and unpublished research work on the related topics. All accepted papers will be published in IEEE Xplore. Paper submission via <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/MLMC2026>. Instructions for preparation and electronic submission will be available on MLMC2026 website <http://itlab.fzu.edu.cn/MLMC2026/>. Contact email: MLMC2026@gmail.com.