CALL FOR PROPOSAL OF WORKSHOPS

The GASS 2021 encourages the proposal of scientific workshops, subject to the following:

- Workshops differ from sessions in that they have enhanced organization flexibility and should promote interactive exchanges between speakers or panelists and the audience.
- Any topic being related to one / several scientific areas of URSI Commissions is eligible.
- The proposal of “multi-disciplinary” topics (i.e. typically addressing the scopes of at least two Commissions) is possible and even encouraged.
- The workshops will be scheduled on Sat.-Sun., Aug. 28-29, 2021, on a half-day duration (3 H) or, subject to proper evaluation of the potential audience and necessity, on a full day (6 H).
- Although original ideas are encouraged, typical workshops may be composed of:
  - Invited talks by renowned and relevant speakers
  - Panels based on the participation of a few high-profile speakers. In that case, planning sufficient participation of the audience in debate form is encouraged
  - Contributed talks or contributed posters

In all cases, proponents should provide, in due time, maximum information to GASS 2021 organizers in order to ensure adequate logistic management.

- All presentations may be accompanied by the submission of papers, according to the proponents’ wishes. However, they will not be included in IEEE-Xplore. Reviewing / quality check process will be under the proponents’ responsibility. The accepted material may be placed on the GASS 2021 web site, according to proponents’ wishes.
- The proposal should contain the names of the proponents, their affiliations with a brief CV related to the workshop topic, a detailed description of the focus and envisioned workshop structure and a preliminary set of intended speakers. Although, at the proposal stage, explicit speakers’ commitment to participation is not required, proper confirmation and consolidation will be requested after the preliminary notification of the workshop acceptance and prior to its final inclusion in the full GASS 2021 published programme.
- Proponents / speakers from differing countries/continents are warmly encouraged.
- Proposing a workshop implies that at least one (preferably all) proponents will chair it. Proponents implicitly commit to be present at GASS 2021.
- Upon acceptance, proponents are warmly encouraged to spread the announcement of the workshop towards potential attendees, using any network they have access to, being aware that attending a workshop is included in the GASS 2021 registration fees.

Proponents of workshops and invited speakers cannot claim any financial support from GASS 2021.

The scopes of URSI Commissions can be found here: [http://www.ursi.org/commissions.php](http://www.ursi.org/commissions.php)

The proposal should use the template available from the web site and be sent to: spc@ursi2021.org

**Important Deadlines:**

- Workshop proposals: **October 31, 2020**
- Notification of preliminary acceptance: **December 15, 2020**
- Consolidated workshop program provided to SPC: **January 31, 2021**
- Final paper acceptance: **March 15, 2021**