



CALL FOR PAPERS

12th Balkan Conference in Informatics (BCI 2026)

11-14 OCTOBER, 2026 Thessaloniki, Greece

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The main objective of the BCI series of conferences is to provide a forum for discussions and dissemination of research accomplishments in Computer Science and Information Technology and to promote interaction and collaboration among scientists from the Balkan countries and the rest of the world, and to encourage involvement of young researchers from the region. BCI 2026 conference accepts original papers dealing with both theory and/or practical aspects of wide areas of ICT including all topics listed below:

- Computer systems organization
- Networks
- Theory of Computation
- Information systems
- Computing methodologies
- Social and professional topics
- Hardware
- Software engineering
- Mathematics of computing
- Human-centered computing
- Applied Computing
- Natural Language Processing, LLMs

Papers reporting on developments, reviews, proposals, and project on Information Technology in South-East Europe in the following areas are also solicited:

- Governance (e.g. systems in place, policies, etc)
- Education (curricula issues, secondary and higher education, etc)
- Professional Issues (e.g. employment, Computer Societies, entrepreneurship, etc)
- European ICT Priorities (e.g. enterprise, smart specialization, aging, etc)

BCI 2026 will be collocated with the 11th International Conference on Web Intelligence, Machine Intelligence and Semantics (WIMS), and the 18th International Symposium on Intelligent Distributed Computing (IDC). BCI participants will have the opportunity to submit papers to WIMS and IDC conferences, and to exchange ideas with the respective communities.

Submission, proceedings

Types of welcomed submissions: (a) full research papers (15 pages max including figures, tables and references) describing research accomplishments, and (b) short research papers (10 pages max) i.e., experience reports, project overviews, etc., which do not fully adhere to the standards of a first-rate scientific publication but are nevertheless of interest and value for the participants of the conference, and (c) posters (4 pages). Submitted papers should be original contributions and should not have been accepted or submitted elsewhere. Papers must be submitted through CMT system (follow the link at the website). Author instructions along with LaTeX2e (preferred) and Word macro files are available at

<https://www.springer.com/gp/computer-science/lncs/conference-proceedings-guidelines>.

For every accepted paper to be presented in the conference and included in the Springer proceedings, at least one author must make a full registration.

Special issues

Selected papers will be invited to *SN Computer Science*, *Digital* and *ComSis* journals.

Important Dates

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| 27 May 2026 (new deadline): | Full papers submission |
| 27 June 2026: | Notification of acceptance |
| 13 July 2026: | Camera readies and registration |