

The Special Issue proposal by Guest Editor must include the following:

- The Special Issue's tentative title: the title should clearly reflect the subject of interest.
- Submission deadline: a Special Issue can be open for submission for 6–12 months.
- List of Guest Editor(s): names, affiliations, email addresses, websites, research interests. Most Special Issues are led by a team of Guest Editors, so please feel free to invite 1–3 colleagues or scholars in this field to co-edit the Special Issue with you if needed and decide on each person's responsibilities and work distribution as a group.
- A summary of the Special Issue (about 150–200 words) and relevant keywords (about 6–10 words): briefly describe the motivation behind the Special Issue, the main topic and areas covered, and the types of submissions that would fit the scope of the Special Issue.
- Information for at least eight planned papers or a list with at least 20 potential authors (not all planned papers may be suitable for publication, so it is better to propose more planned papers): this includes the names, emails, and affiliations of the authors and optionally the tentative title of the planned paper.
- The customized Call for Papers letter prepared by the Guest Editor(s) (optional): the letter will be used to invite scholars to submit their research to your Special Issue. It should briefly describe the Special Issue and motivate potential contributors to submit their research.
- The plan to promote the Special Issue (optional).

Submit the Special Issue proposal and wait for it to be evaluated by Editor in Chief in consultation with these members of the Editorial Board. Once a proposal has been accepted for creating a Special Issue, the Guest Editor(s) will be responsible for handling and processing the Special Issue articles.