IET Communities Volunteer Briefing: Technical Papers

Summary
When a technical community produces a Call for Papers event, the successful papers are submitted to the IET Digital Library for indexing which is of significant value to authors.

The IET Digital Library holds more than 190,000 technical papers from 1994 onwards for all IET journals, magazines, books, conference publications and seminar digests.

What is a Call for Papers event?
A Call for Papers event provides industry and academia with an opportunity to share their latest research and projects with the wider community. Potential authors are requested to provide an abstract, and if deemed a high quality by the Technical Reviewing Panel, go on to produce a paper for final consideration.

What do I need to run a call for papers event?
In the first instance, this should be discussed with the relevant Community Manager (CM)/Local Network Manager (LNM) 9 months before the planned event date.

In order to run a Call for Papers event you need to have:

- A lead volunteer
- Concise event scope
- Paper deadlines
- Technical Reviewing Panel
- Clear benefits of participating

The Lead Volunteer and Technical Reviewing Panel need to ensure that papers are of a high quality and adhere to the Manuscript Preparation Guidelines.

Once the event has taken place and the Events Non Exclusive Publication Agreements have been signed by authors, the CM/LNM will submit the papers to the IET Digital Library, with the possibility of them going forward to INSPEC and IEEE Explore. One point to note, it is not guaranteed that final papers will be accepted by the Digital Library.

If you have any questions regarding anything in this briefing please get in touch communities@theiet.org

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