

## COMCAS 2017 Author Instructions for Manuscript Submission

This document provides guidance on the submission of your Manuscript to COMCAS 2017. **The deadline for Manuscript submissions will be in mid-September 2017. Please consult [here](http://www.comcas.org/Program/AuthorsInstructions.aspx) (<http://www.comcas.org/Program/AuthorsInstructions.aspx>) for the specific date. The COMCAS 2017 Editorial Staff has the right to reject all papers submitted after this date.**

### 1. Manuscript Submission

Manuscripts must be submitted as a two to six page PDF document with supporting graphics and data, conforming to the COMCAS 2017 full paper format. Authors of accepted Summaries are requested to submit a final Manuscript conforming to the COMCAS 2017 full paper template. This manuscript will be published in the IEEE COMCAS 2017 Proceedings, which will be made available through the *IEEE Xplore*<sup>®</sup> Digital Library. Even if you had chosen to submit your original Summary in the format of a full paper, ***you still must submit a full Manuscript following the instructions herein.***

Please note the following requirements:

1. Submit all Manuscripts to the COMCAS 2017 Manuscript Submission Web Site (link below) for publication as a full paper or poster. Authors desiring to submit more than one Manuscript must repeat the Manuscript submission process for each paper.
2. File format must be PDF. This will be the only format accepted. ***ALL FILES MUST BE GENERATED THROUGH PDF eXpress due to the stringent format requirements of IEEE Xplore.***
3. Limit the submitted document to 20-Megabyte file size, 2 to 6 pages in length. *These limits will be strictly enforced.* Papers of fewer than 2 pages will be rejected.
4. Be sure to supply all requested information in the Manuscript submission process (link provided below). Much of this information should be carried over from when you submitted your Summary.
5. Manuscripts must be written in English.
6. Manuscripts may be submitted in one or two column format.
7. Manuscripts title, authors, and their affiliations should be clearly stated at the beginning of the document text.
8. All submitted Manuscripts will be reviewed by the COMCAS Technical Program Committee to determine conformance to the conference document format and quality. Nonconforming Manuscripts, or those that are deemed of poor quality, will be sent back to the authors for revision.
9. COMCAS 2017 will not accept plagiarized content. This includes re-used content from an author's prior publication in a journal, conference proceeding, or earlier COMCAS event.
10. At least one author will attend COMCAS 2017 and present the paper or poster

#### Additional Information for Manuscript Submission

- At least one presenter from each accepted contribution must register for the COMCAS 2017 Conference in order to be included in the final program. Their full manuscript must likewise have been uploaded into the submission system for publication.
- Expenses for travel and attendance including registration fee, are the responsibility of each presenter.



## 2. How to Submit your Final Manuscript

A complete submission requires the following actions:

1. Create, proof read, and check the layout of your final Manuscript. Links to templates providing guidance on the full paper layout are provided in the Authors Instructions page of the COMCAS Website.
2. Convert your document to a PDF file using PDF eXpress (described below). Even if your file is already in PDF format, you should still run it through PDF eXpress to ensure proper font, graphics embedding, and other details are compatible with IEEE Xplore.
3. Go to the COMCAS 2017 Manuscript Submission page (see below) to input the required information and upload your Manuscript.

**All of these actions must be completed prior to the Manuscript submission deadline of mid September 2017 (deadline will be posted on the COMCAS website).**

## 3. Step-by-Step Instructions for Manuscript Submission

**NOTE:** If you are submitting more than one paper, you will need to repeat the submission process for each paper.

**Step 1.** Prepare your Manuscript using the templates provided [here](http://www.comcas.org/Program/AuthorsInstructions.aspx) (<http://www.comcas.org/Program/AuthorsInstructions.aspx>). Templates for Word and instructions for Latex are provided on this page.

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### Step 3. Uploading your Manuscript

Manuscript Submissions are handled through the Editor's Assistant (EDAS) Website. To submit your Manuscript, please follow the steps below.

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In conclusion, we hope that you find the submission process easy. We look forward to seeing you at COMCAS 2017!

Best Regards,

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