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Step 1. Prepare the paper

- All paper templates and guidelines can be found at this link.
- Use either the **Paper Template for Microsoft Word** or the **Paper Template for LaTeX**. Both are provided on the symposia website.
- Strictly adhere to the guidelines of the double-blind review policy provided on the symposia website
- Convert your paper to PDF format using your own PDF conversion software. The initial paper does not have to be compatible with IEEE Xplore.
- The paper abstract is limited to 150 words.
- The paper page limit is four pages maximum with the second column of the fourth page containing ONLY acknowledgements and references.
- File size cannot exceed 5MB

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a. Existing User Account:

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Step 3.

- **a. Add New Submission:** Once you log in, you will be on the Navigation Center home page. Please take note of the Important Information on the right side of the page for all deadlines.
- b. Click "Add New Submission" to start your paper submission and the below page will display



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1 Please be sure to add all individuals to be listed as a participant for your submission. (Submitter, Speaker, Co-Author, etc.)

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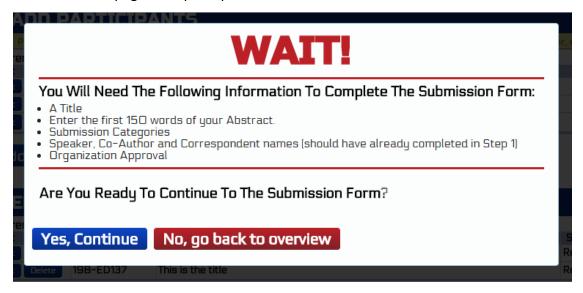
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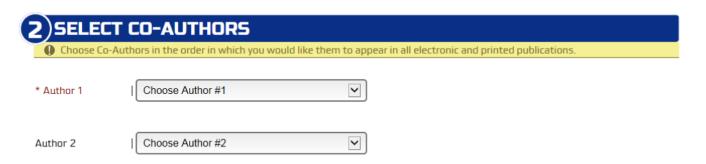


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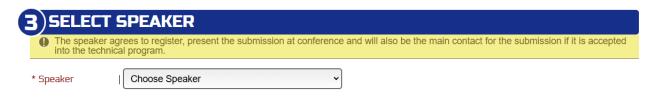
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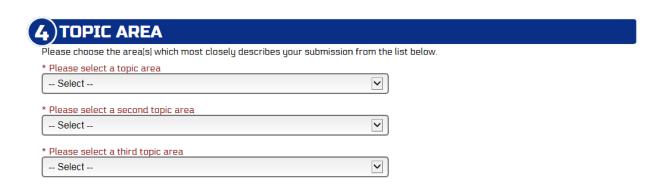
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#4 Topic Area – Use the dropdown menus to select the three topic areas that most clearly describe your paper.



#5 Enter Abstract – Enter an abstract for your paper of 150 words or less. **NOTE:** The abstract entered on the submission page must be 150 words or less or it will not be accepted. The abstract in the paper itself does not have a limit and can be longer.

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#7 Presentation Questions - Next, you will be presented with a series of questions regarding presentation format and optional competitions:

- **Submission Type:** Please select the option that best fits your paper.
- "Indicate your preferred presentation format" You can select either the "Oral Presentation" or "Interactive Forum" format. If you select "Oral Presentation", you will be asked to select either Full length (20 minutes) or Short length (10 minutes).
- Select a Paper Competition to enter? *click here for guidelines*
 - None
 - Industry Paper The purpose of the Industry Paper Competition (IPC) is to recognize outstanding technical contributions from industry sources. Eligible papers can have several authors but the work described must come from a corporate or government entity but not an academic institution.

- Student Paper The purpose of the Student Paper Competition (SPC) is to recognize outstanding technical contributions from individual students. The first author of the paper must be a student. Faculty advisors will be contacted for verification only for those papers that are selected as SPC Finalists in March 2026.
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- "Enter the Three Minute Thesis (3MT®) Competition?" click here for guidelines
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 Technology Letters? The Microwave and Wireless Technology Letters (MWTL) Special
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* Select a paper Competition to enter?
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* Do you want to be considered for publication in the Microwave and Wireless Technology Letters? The Microwave and Wireless Technology Letters (MWTL) Special "Top IMS2026 Papers": The RFSA and RFIT TPRC's will select high-quality parters in the MWTL special issue on "To

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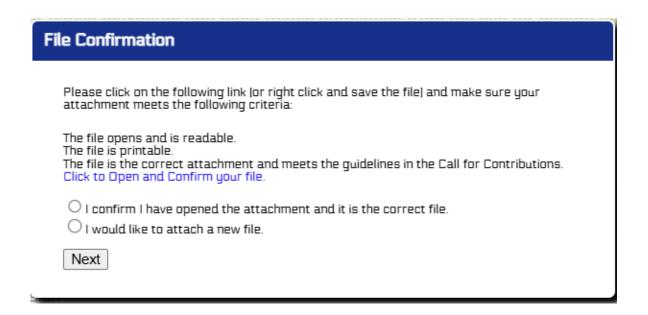
8) APPROVAL AGREEMENT

- * Appropriate Organizational approvals AGREEMENT
 - By submitting the paper to IMS you agree to the following:
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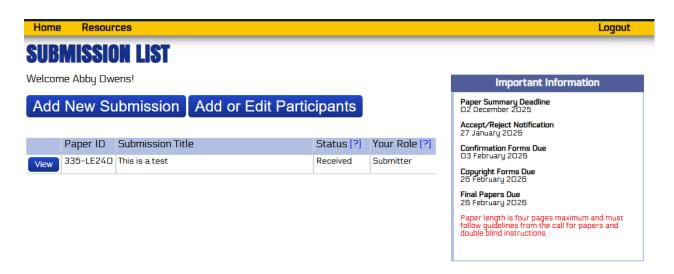


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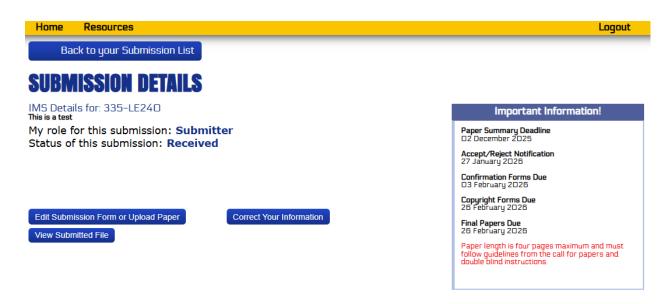
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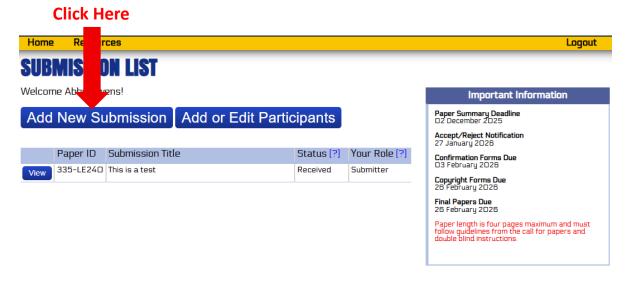
- Edit Submission Form or Upload Paper This allows the submitting author to edit the submission form or upload a new PDF file submission.
- View Submission File This allows the submitting author to download a copy of the PDF submission to ensure it is the correct file.
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Withdrawing a submitted submission **AFTER** the submission deadline is strongly discouraged. It is our policy that if a paper must be removed after the final approval date for the symposia proceedings (17 April 2026), it will be done at the author's and/or the sponsoring organization's expense.

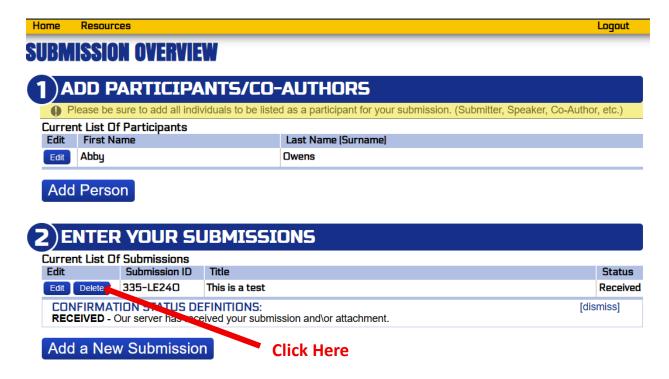
If the paper submission deadline has passed and you wish to withdraw your submission, please contact the symposia TPC chairs and request the withdrawal.

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