

# ACM SIGCOMM Conference on Information-Centric Networking

## Call for Organizing Proposals for 2022 and 2023

The Steering Committee of the ACM Information-Centric Networking Conference invites interested groups and individuals to submit proposals for hosting the 2022 ACM ICN conference. Site proposals should include information regarding the following:

### A: Format

After two years of online events, we are encouraging proposals for a fully in-person event in 2022. However, given ongoing uncertainty regarding the global COVID-19 situation, potential organizers are strongly encouraged to include a timeline of decision points and contingency plans, adapted to possible scenarios with respect to travel restrictions, etc., with the goal of postponing irrevocable financial commitments. While the committee believes the in-person attendee/presenter experience should receive first priority, proposals should include a worked-out plan for a fully-online format. We are also open to consideration of hybrid modes that include options for remote participation regardless of the ongoing COVID-19 situation.

### B: City

The city should be located near a major international airport, within 1-2 hours of regular train service and/or 45 minutes of cab/shuttle service. A major international airport should have at least two airlines with regular international service to the 3 major continents of ICN attendees: Asia, Europe, North America.

The proposed venue should have one conference meeting room that can accommodate approximately 150 attendees (our current estimate), together with a few other rooms for potential tutorials and/or workshops. The conference room should support a single center screen or two side-by-side screens with unobstructed views. The venues should include, or allow for rental of, equipment for Internet connectivity for 150 attendees in the main conference hall and for multiple parallel demos.

The city should have hotel space for 150-200 people (attendees and their guests) within easy access (less than 15 minutes time, preferably at most 1 metro/bus/tram) to the venue; this should include low-cost housing options for students and others on a limited budget.

The city should have potential venues for a reception and banquet dinner. A sample list of possible venues with a 1-line description addressing logistics (time to get there, need for transportation) would be useful.

### C. Conference General Chair & Organization Committee

The proposal should include

- Name and affiliation of a widely recognized member of the networking community with ties to the proposed site city who is willing to serve as the General Chair, or up to 2 co-chairs with at least one of them local or with ties to the site. All General Chairs should be committed to actively work on organizing the conference.
- Names and affiliations of other candidates the General Chair can enlist to serve on the organization committee as publicity chair, treasurer, etc. For an in-person proposal, a specific person who will serve as local arrangements chair should be identified. (Note that ACM requires that the Treasurer and at least one General Chair be an ACM member.)

Optionally but desirably, the proposal may include an estimated cost for the conference venue and the hotel price range.

NOTE: This site proposal should not suggest program committee chairs; they will be appointed separately by the ACM ICN Steering Committee.

### D. Dates

The conference is typically held between September 15 and October 15. Please indicate which dates have major local conflicts, e.g., major local events, school openings, etc. that would interfere with either the proposed site or the proposed General Chair's participation. ICN is typically held on two days plus one extra day for tutorials and/or community events. If possible, the conference should take place on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. A listing of dates of planned future ACM conferences is available their website, <https://www.acm.org/calendar>

## Submission Instructions

Deadline: **2021-09-10**

Proposal format: up to two pages in A4 or US letter format

Send proposals in PDF to: [icnconf-sc@lists.cs.ucla.edu](mailto:icnconf-sc@lists.cs.ucla.edu)

Please do not hesitate to contact the Steering Committee (at the above email address) in case of any questions.