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Conference Theme: *Creative and Industrial AI for Inclusive Applications*

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SCOPE: The scope of the conference covers a broad spectrum of multidisciplinary areas in automation, smart manufacturing, robotics, control, computing and information systems, ranging from fundamental research to real-world practical applications. The conference welcomes the submission of papers in the nature of original research and technical reviews from but not limited to areas of:

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The submitted papers should be no more than 6 pages (A4 paper) with IEEE conference paper format. The conference details and the paper template for ICAC2026 are available on the conference website. The first page of each paper should include the title of the paper, an abstract with no more than 200 words, up to 5 key words, authors' name(s), complete postal addresses, and email address for correspondence. Electronic form of submission, in PDF, is acceptable and preferred. Accepted papers will be submitted for inclusion into IEEE Xplore subject to meeting IEEE Xplore's scope and quality requirements. The Proceedings of International Conference on Automation and Computing have been published on IEEE Xplore since 2011.

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Paper submission deadline	31 March 2026
Notification of acceptance	15 June 2026
Camera-ready copy due	30 June 2026