Call for Proposals to Host

**IEEE Advanced Networking and Telecommunication Systems (ANTS) Conference**

Dear Prospective Conference Organizer,

IEEE ANTS Steering Board is soliciting proposals from organizations/institutions interested in hosting the annual **Conference on Advanced Networking and Telecommunication Systems (ANTS)** in the years 2024, 2025 and 2026.

ANTS is a premier IEEE conference that is held every year in India inviting papers/posters, events such as tutorials, panels and keynote speakers from all over the world. Our preference of candidate hosting organizationswould beuniversities, research institutions/laboratories, companies located in Indiain India and SAARC countries.

ANTS conference is a valuable opportunity for colleagues to share current research and practical results, challenges and issues. The conference is also a vibrant event at which colleagues have an opportunity to network and socialize. It provides an opportunity for the host institution to organize a major annual conference that attracts scholars, researchers and industry experts from networking and telecommunication community and also reflects the identity and expertise of the host university. You will have the opportunity to create your own Organizing Committee, conference format and other essential details. We generally seek hosting cities and organizations that are reasonably accessible by international visitors, and provide a range of lodging, dining, entertainment and cultural attractions within reasonable proximity of the venue.

ANTS Steering Board plans on reviewing all submitted proposals and award the hosting contract prior to ANTS 2023 event at Gandhinagar, Gujarat. We will keep in touch with you after receiving your proposal and you may be invited to give a brief presentation on your proposal to ANTS Steering Committee on a conference call or during ANTS 2023.

Proposals should be sent to the Steering Committee Chair byrav@comsoc.org. We suggest you use the proposal template provided at the end of this letter of invitation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

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Steering Committee Chair

IEEE ANTS

**Template for interested organizations to propose hosting of ANTS 2024, 2025, 2026**

Although a detailed proposal is not necessary now, here is a template for interested organizations to complete and send with the requested information to show their intention and interest. An initial proposal shall include the following information. Please fill the template below and send it to byrav@comsoc.org for review.

(1) Host institution

*Briefly describe the host organization and its association with the field of networking and telecommunication (and overlapping technology) areas. Justify your application for organizing the conference explaining why your organization will be the best choice for hosting it. Feel free to include other organizations who you plan to include as joint hosts or cooperating partners.*

(2) Organizing committee

*Briefly describe who make up your tentativeorganizing committee members, who the proposed General chair(s) and other Chairs for the conference would be, and their connections to the research areas of the conference and previous association with ANTS conference if any. There is no requirement to provide a complete list of names to the various roles in the Organizing Committee at this stage. The Steering Committee will be happy to help build the complete team.*

(3) Conference Theme

*The conference should appeal to the range of scholars, researchers and industry. So what is your proposal for the theme of the proposed conference. Briefly describe if the proposed theme is relevant to current day’s research and industry and how/why would it attract attendees.*

(4) Venue and Dates

*Briefly describe what makes your city and venue particularly attractive to the Networking and Telecommunication Research community. Provide information about the venue, including recent conferences held there, available infrastructural facilities and accessibility.*

*ANTS is normally held in the month of December, so we need an indication of the planned dates. If you would like to suggest different time frame, please justify your reasons. It is helpful if we are able to avoid conflicts with other major conferences of interest to attendees.*

(5) Financial support

*Please keep in mind costs when selecting keynote and plenary speakers.  If you are planning international speakers, please bear in mind applyingfor external research funding and sponsorships and plan this into your schedule, Events usually generate modest income from sponsors and registrations. Please note that ANTS is completely (financially) sponsored by IEEE Communications Society, hence there are no financial requirements on the host organization to fund the conference.*

(6) Any other points you wish to bring to the attention of the selection committee, such as cooperation with other local colleges, universities and companies.