

Instructions to Authors

Last update: Feb. 9, 2026

Table of Contents

Changelog.....	1
Important Deadlines.....	1
Camera ready Instructions.....	1
ACM's New Open Access Publishing Model for 2026 ACM Conferences.....	2
Artifact Evaluation.....	2
Visa Application and Support Letter.....	2
Poster Submissions Confirmation.....	3
Paper Presentation Instructions.....	3
Poster Presentation Instructions.....	4

Changelog

- Feb 9, 2026
 - Added time for Q&A for short papers

Important Deadlines

- **November 24:** Artifact Evaluation Registration
- **November 30:** Poster Confirmation
- **December 15:** Author registration
- **December 18:** Camera-ready and rights review form submissions

Camera ready Instructions

You can now access the updated reviews of your paper:
<https://fpga26.hotcrp.com/paper/{{PID}}>

These updated reviews potentially incorporate some post-rebuttal and post-discussion comments.

The reviewers worked hard on providing you with appropriate feedback that would help you transform your paper into the best version it can be. Please take their comments into consideration when preparing the final camera-ready version.

Your camera-ready submission must abide by the ACM publishing guidelines:
<https://www.scomminc.com/pp/acmsig/fpga2026.htm>

Please follow them carefully when preparing your paper, and submit it by **December 18th**.

You will receive two emails regarding your publication:

- 1- From Sheridan Communications (submissions@scomminc.com), with the link that you'll use to submit your final paper.
- 2- From ACM Publications (rightsreview@acm.org) with the ACM Rights Management form, that the designated corresponding author must complete and submit on behalf of all authors. The paper will not be published if this electronic Rights Review form is not submitted.

ACM's New Open Access Publishing Model for 2026 ACM Conferences

Starting January 1, 2026, ACM will fully transition to Open Access. All ACM publications, including those from ACM-sponsored conferences, will be 100% Open Access. Authors will have two primary options for publishing Open Access articles with ACM: the ACM Open institutional model or by paying Article Processing Charges (APCs). With over 1,800 institutions already part of ACM Open, the majority of ACM-sponsored conference papers will not require APCs from authors or conferences (currently, around 70-75%).

Authors from institutions not participating in ACM Open will need to pay an APC to publish their papers, unless they qualify for a financial or discretionary waiver. To find out whether an APC applies to your article, please consult the list of participating institutions in ACM Open and review the APC Waivers and Discounts Policy. Keep in mind that waivers are rare and are granted based on specific criteria set by ACM.

Understanding that this change could present financial challenges, ACM has approved a temporary subsidy for 2026 to ease the transition and allow more time for institutions to join ACM Open. With the subsidy, the costs will be:

- \$250 APC for ACM/SIG members
- \$350 for non-members.
-

This represents a 65% discount, funded directly by ACM. Authors are encouraged to help advocate for their institutions to join ACM Open during this transition period. This temporary subsidized pricing will apply to all conferences scheduled for 2026. For additional information, please check the ACM Open Access Model's FAQ.

Artifact Evaluation

If you have an accepted long paper and wish to participate in the Artifact Evaluation, please fill in this form by November 24th: <https://forms.gle/1q1zhCq9aUbPHmDn6>

Visa Application and Support Letter

If you need a visa, it is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** that you act **NOW** because the visa application process may take a **LONG** time. Many people living outside of the USA need a visa to enter the country (most likely a B-1/B-2 visa). Official information is available here: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html>, including information on visa appointment wait time in all USA Embassies and Consulates.

Note that you do not need a letter of support to book a visa appointment; to the best of our knowledge, the letter of support will never be required before the interview.

Obtaining a visa support letter

ACM is able to provide a visa support to attendees as well as authors with accepted papers, posters, or members of the conference committees.

If you are an author (either paper or poster), you can ask for your letter even before registering. Only accepted authors may request a visa support letter prior to registering for the conference by filling in the Visa Support Letter Request form.

Please make sure you include all the required information to avoid delays. Allow up to 10 business days to receive a letter; all requests are handled in the order they are received. In case of difficulties or delays, please do not hesitate to contact the General Chair.

If you are not an author, you can request a visa support letter during the registration process. Please register using the link provided on the Registration page and make sure to answer “Yes” when asked if you required a visa support letter.

Poster Submissions Confirmation

If you accept the invitation to present your work as a poster at FPGA'26, please fill in this form by November 30th: <https://forms.gle/QPe4SeW2pwbwAWbc8>

Paper Presentation Instructions

Time allocated per presenter:

- Long paper:
 - Presentation: 14 minutes
 - Questions: 3 minutes
- Short paper
 - Presentation: 5 minutes
 - Questions: 3 minutes

Note: 3 minutes are reserved for the speaker introduction and switching between speakers. Please do not count on using this time for your presentation.

Please check the program for the day/time of your assigned session:

<https://www.isfpga.org/program/>

We are asking you to upload your presentation to the shared google drive (link sent to you by email). You will be using the presentations uploaded to this drive for your live presentation.

The presentation name should start with the paper's order within your assigned session (e.g., 1_example_presentation.pptx).

Please note that these presentations will be made public after the conference. If you wish to share a different version of the slides than the one presented, please make sure that you update the file after your session.

A short bio is required from each presenter. This bio will be used by the session chair to introduce you as a speaker, so please phrase it in a way that would sound good when used as an introduction. Upload your bio to the same google drive used for presentations **by Feb. 15th, AoE.**

The session chairs' names will soon be added to the program. Try to find your session chair ahead of the session and introduce yourself. If you don't know who the session chair is, feel free to ask the program chair to introduce you to him/her. During your session, please make sure that you are seated in the front and be ready to start as soon as the previous presenter is done.

Poster Presentation Instructions

Poster boards of dimensions 4'x8' will be available. We will also provide pins.

Please do not print slides and use them as a poster. Prepare a one-page poster that can be hung on the board for discussion.

Please check the program for your assigned poster session: <https://www.isfpga.org/program/>

Make sure that you hang your poster ahead of your poster session and to remove it immediately afterwards, to leave the space for the next poster session. There are no assigned poster boards, so you can use whichever one you prefer.

You need to be present during your session, near your poster, and ready to explain and answer questions.

Please note that printers will not be available. It is your responsibility to print your poster ahead of the conference.

The session chair will introduce all the posters of the session, before the attendees break out to where the posters are. So, besides the poster, you will also need to prepare (a) one slide that will be used to introduce your poster to the attendees and (b) a couple of sentences for the chair to use to introduce your work. It is up to you to decide on the message you want to relay to the attendees regarding your poster.

Please upload the slide and message to the google drive link sent to you by email, **by Feb. 18th, AoE.**