# WFCS 2012

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### 9th IEEE International Workshop on Factory Communication Systems

# Communication in Automation

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## Scope:

The WFCS workshop is the largest IEEE technical event specially dedicated to industrial communication systems. The aim of this workshop is to provide a forum for researchers, practitioners and developers to review current trends in this area and to present and discuss new ideas and new research directions.

## Focus on:

**Real-time and Dependability** in Industrial Communication Systems: message scheduling; task allocation; fault-tolerant communication; performance analysis; safety and security issues, synchronization.

**System Integration** in Industrial Automation Systems: vertical and life-cycle aspects, web-based setup, maintenance, and configuration; transparency *vs.* security; data-flow management; internetworking; hybrid wired/wireless industrial infrastructures.

**Information and Communication Technology** in Automation: system design; component-based systems, web frameworks; mobile computing; modelling and specification techniques; formal methods.

**Recent advances** in research domains with similar technical requirements: networked control systems; wireless sensor networks; building automation networks; automotive and train-control networks; distributed real-time embedded systems.

## Workshop topics:

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| Fieldbus networks | Real-time communication and applications |
| Industrial Ethernet networks | Web-based communication and applications |
| IP-based networks | Distributed application platforms |
| Industrial wireless networks | Safety and security in industrial communications |
| Networked embedded systems | Fault-tolerance in industrial communications |
| Sensor networks | Configuration tools & network management |
| Building automation networks | Internetworking & interoperability |
| Automotive and train-control networks | System aspects |
| Factory and Process automation networks | Case studies |

**Submission of Papers:** The WFCS workshop is seeking two kinds of submissions. All submitted contributions (in English language) must contain original unpublished work. Papers that have been concurrently submitted to other conferences or journals (double submissions) will be automatically rejected.

**Regular Papers:** Up to 10 double-column pages in IEEE format, reporting on novel and significant contributions to the field of industrial communication systems.

**Work-in-progress Papers:** Up to 4 double-column pages, describing research that has not yet produced the results required for a regular paper, but that due its novelty and potential impact deserves to be shared with the community at an early stage.

## Author's Schedule:

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| *Deadline for submission of regular papers: [Extended]* | ~~December, 9, 2011~~ | **January, 6, 2012** |
| *Notification of acceptance of regular papers:* | | *February, 24, 2012* |
| *Deadline for submission of work-in-progress papers: [Extended]* | ~~February, 27, 2012~~ | **March, 7, 2012** |
| *Notification of acceptance of work-in-progress papers:* | | *April, 8, 2012* |
| *Deadline for submission of final manuscripts (regular):* | | *March, 16, 2012* |
| *Deadline for submission of final manuscripts (WIP):* | | *April, 15, 2012* |

**Further information:** http://www.init-owl.de/wfcs2012/