

# *The 14<sup>th</sup> International Symposium of SSMS 2026*

14<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2026 in Taipei

## First Announcement & Call for Papers

### **Social Management Systems: For the future Quality of Life and Well-Being associated with Asset Management Systems**

#### **O**bjective

Every nation inevitably transitions from a stage of economic growth and population increase to one of economic maturity and population decline, accompanied by advancing aging and the consequent erosion of fiscal capacity. In this unavoidable process, how to realize and sustainably maintain the well-being and quality of life (QOL) of citizens becomes a fundamental question that challenges the very nature of society's relationship with its communities.

QOL signifies the realization of humanity—a state in which people live healthily, comfortably, happily, and with dignity. This QOL can be assured only through sustainability, achieved by asset management that responds to the deterioration of social infrastructure under constrained fiscal conditions, and through resilience, established by risk management that enables social infrastructure both to evolve in response to changing values and needs of society and individuals, and to withstand sudden threats such as natural disasters.

Social infrastructure must be endowed with functions capable of meeting such demands. To envision the future shape of society and to bring it into being, it is necessary to sustain and fulfill the functions required by society over the long term. This requires more than merely establishing systems for the efficient management and maintenance of infrastructure (Infrastructure Asset Management Systems). What is indispensable is the establishment of an integrated framework for governing society as a whole that supports such infrastructure—namely, Social Management Systems.

#### **T**opics

##### **1. Disaster Resilience and Management**

- Mega Disasters and Challenges
- Disaster Early Warning, Preparedness, Prevention and Response & Recovery
- Pre and/or Post-Disaster Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Planning and Management
- Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction into Planning
- Disaster Risk Financing
- Business Continuity Planning
- City Structure and Resilience

##### **2. Environment and Security of Water, Energy, Food**

- Asset Management, Information Management and Water Resource Management
- GIS and Remote Sensing
- Climate Change and Environmental Management
- Resiliency and Poverty

##### **3. Infrastructure Planning and Management, Asset Management**

- Infrastructure Management and Materials
- Construction Management and Dispute Resolution
- Urban Farming
- Rural-Urban Transformation and Land Conversion
- State of the Art, AI, IoT, DX for Planning and Management Systems

##### **4. Sustainable Society and Happiness**

- Indicators of Happiness
- Resource Efficiency to Sufficiency for People
- Beyond Cost Benefit Analysis
- Thinking the Future Generation
- AI, IoT, Auto Vehicle and Society
- Sustainable Economy

##### **5. Engineering and Management**

- Material Design and Development
- Structural Engineering
- Material/Structure and Cost/Infrastructure Management
- State of the Art, AI, IoT, DX for Technology and Management Systems

##### **6. Entrepreneurship and Regional Revitalization, Starting up Promotion**

- Entrepreneurship and New Business Creation
- Regional Revitalization
- Tourism Planning
- Renewable Energy Business
- Utilizing Regional Resources
- IoT/AI/DX Business

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## 7. Aging Society Planning, Operation and Management

- Innovative Enhancement Capacity
- Adaptive Forms and Behaviors
- Policy and Budgeting for Resilient City
- CSR/CSV and NGO's Contributions and International Cooperation
- Social Systems Management
- Sustainable Economy

## 8. Quality of Life and Well-Being

- Economic Maturity and Population Decline
- Humanity: Health, Comfort, Happiness, and Dignity
- Evolving Values and Needs of Society and Individuals
- Resilience and Sustainability for QOL/Well-Being
- Measurement and Evaluation Methods of QOL/Well-Being
- Infrastructure Management for Society
- Framework of Society Management
- Social Management in the context of AI, IoT, DX

## Venue

GIS NTU Convention Center, Taipei

<https://www.meeting.com.tw/en/ntu/index.php>

## Important dates

Deadline for Title and 300-word Abstract of paper: 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2026

Notice of Acceptance: 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2026

Deadline for Full Paper/ Extended abstract: 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2026

Registration Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2026

## Paper

Prospective authors are expected to submit either full paper or extended abstract. Authors can choose the type of paper when they register on the web. Regardless of your paper type, you need to submit your 300- word abstract by the abstract submission deadline (15<sup>th</sup> April, 2026)

**Extended Abstract:** 2 pages

**Full Paper:**10-12 pages

Format is available [here](#).

All the full papers will be reviewed by reviewers selected by SSMS.

The authors who submit 2-page extended abstracts are also entitled to make presentation at SSMS2026. They are also allowed to submit their full paper after the symposium for reviewing.

## Abstracts Submission

Prospective authors including those who submit extended abstracts are invited to submit abstracts (around 300 words in English) **by 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2026**

All the authors need to create their account on the society website to register themselves as participants. Authors can submit their abstract from their web account.

## Official Language

English

## How to Register

You can register yourself by opening your web account on SSMS website. Regardless of your participation type, both authors and general participant (audience) need their own web account. <https://ssms.jp/>

On your account, you can:

- see the status of your registration
- make registration fee payment by credit card
- abstract submission
- full paper / extended abstract submission
- re-submit modified paper (before deadline)

When you create your account for the first time, E-mail will be sent to you with ID and Password you chose. Please keep your ID and Password to login.

## Registration Number :

Each registered participant will have 4 digit registration number. This number is regarded as your ID number and also used for paper serial code.

## Change and Cancellation

If you wish to make changes of your participation type or cancel your participation, please contact SSMS2026 organizing committee secretariat since participants can not modify once registered information by themselves.

E-mail: [ssms@kochi-tech.ac.jp](mailto:ssms@kochi-tech.ac.jp)

Contact: Seigo Nasu

## Registration Fees

Registration fee (until 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2026)

- Regular participants 400 US\$
- Domestic: 200US\$
- Students: 50 US\$

From 1<sup>st</sup> August 2026, higher rate will be applied.

- Regular participants: 450 US\$
- Domestic: 250US\$
- Students: 100 US\$

•Payment until 31<sup>st</sup> July is advised so as to avoid higher rate payment.

•Registered participants will be asked to make payment after receiving Notice of Acceptance. The notice will be sent by 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2026.

•If refund is necessary due to cancellation or option change, please send e-mail to [ssms@kochi-tech.ac.jp](mailto:ssms@kochi-tech.ac.jp)

If you intend to join post-symposium technical tour on 16<sup>th</sup> October, please pay 100 US\$ (Technical Tour fee) in addition to registration fee.

## How to Make Payment

The amount you need to pay will be seen on your web account in accordance with your participation type.

### ■Credit Card Payment

If you login to your web account, you will be guided to PAYPAL.

Each participant is asked to create a web account for registration. See the “How to Register” section to get further explanation.

Note: The participants will be asked to make a payment by credit card. If you find it difficult to make payment by your credit card, please contact

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