



## 2014 IEEE Global Humanitarian Technology Conference (GHTC)

**Conference Dates: 10-13 October 2014**

**Location: Holiday Inn San Jose-Airport; Silicon Valley (San Jose, Calif.)**

**Web: [www.ieeeghtc.org](http://www.ieeeghtc.org)**

**Register at: [www.ieeeghtc.org/registration](http://www.ieeeghtc.org/registration)**

### **IEEE GHTC 2014 Announces Final Technical Program and Keynote Speakers**

**San Jose, CA – September 14, 2014** - The IEEE GHTC 2014 Program Committee today announced the final program for the IEEE Global Humanitarian Technology Conference being held in San Jose, California, October 10 to October 13, 2014. The full program can be found at [www.ieeeghtc.org](http://www.ieeeghtc.org).

Keynote and invited speakers from around the world will address a broad range of topics related to health, education, disaster relief, water and agriculture, and other humanitarian concerns

Catherine Nelson, GHTC 2014 Chair, said: "This year's GHTC promises to be the best so far; we had very strong paper submission both in numbers and quality, and the selection committee's task was a difficult one. I believe we have a commendable blend of early research and on-the-ground experiences being presented."

GHTC 2014 features 127 papers, 28 "lightning" talks and 14 poster presentations, in five parallel tracks: Energy, Health, Disaster Connectivity & Communications, Humanitarian Challenges & Opportunities, and Water & Agriculture. Other sessions include a student paper contest, workshops and demonstrations. 300 attendees from 38 countries are expected.

Additionally, an international set of humanitarian technology practitioners with real stories and experience will be joining the conference will participate as featured speakers in keynote, plenary, and other program sessions. The complete set of these featured speakers can be found at [www.ieeeghtc.org/event/keynote-speakers-2014](http://www.ieeeghtc.org/event/keynote-speakers-2014).

The overall schedule can be found at <http://www.ieeeghtc.org/files/2012/01/Program-Table.pdf>. This year's conference program can be found at <http://www.ieeeghtc.org/event/>.

#### **About IEEE GHTC:**

Organized by **IEEE**, the world's largest technical professional society with over 400,000 members in over 160 countries, IEEE GHTC focuses on advancing technology for the benefit of humanity. This 4th annual cross-discipline conference provides the perfect venue for those interested in humanitarian projects to join their peers in Silicon Valley, a community famed for leading-edge technological innovations, world-class researchers, and technology investors. The conference attracts a global audience of educators, engineers, scientist, practitioners, philanthropists, corporations, foundations, NGO's and others interested in applying technology to develop effective solutions for the challenges facing the world's underserved populations.

GHTC is sponsored by the IEEE's US Western Region, Santa Clara Valley and Seattle Sections, IEEE-USA, with funding support from the IEEE Humanitarian Ad Hoc Committee and the US National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

IEEE is the world's largest professional association dedicated to advancing technological innovation and excellence for the benefit of humanity. IEEE and its members inspire a global community through IEEE's highly cited publications, conferences, technology standards, and professional and educational activities.

**GHTC Conference Mission:**

- Promote science, engineering and technology as key to development of solutions to humanitarian problems
- Foster exchange of information and networking in the humanitarian field
- Focus attention of businesses on emerging market and social entrepreneurship opportunities
- Impact in positive and meaningful ways the lives of disadvantaged billions around the world

**Why Attend?**

- Participate in an extensive, vibrant and innovative technical program
- Learn from world-class knowledgeable practitioners working in the field
- Exchange information, share experiences and network with actively involved attendees
- Gain visibility and recognition for your humanitarian work and projects
- Find new resources, ideas and potential partners or investors

**Important Dates:**

- Regular Registration Deadline: 8-October
- At the Door Registration starts: 10-October
- Conference Dates: 10-13 October 2014

**Links:**

Full conference program: <http://www.ieeeghtc.org/>

Register at: <http://www.ieeeghtc.org/registration/>

Latest News and Updates: <http://www.ieeeghtc.org/home/blog/>

Venue: Holiday Inn San Jose-Airport; Silicon Valley (San Jose, Calif.)

Information on the venue is found at <http://www.ieeeghtc.org/practical-info/>

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