

Call for Papers



The banner features a central graphic of a hand holding a globe with a network of lines and nodes, symbolizing global connectivity. To the right, the text reads: **2014 IEEE GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE (GHTC)**, **October 10 - 13, 2014 | Silicon Valley / San Jose, California USA**. Below this is a collage of images showing people in various settings, including a classroom and a community meeting. The IEEE logo and tagline "Advancing Technology for Humanity" are on the right. At the bottom, it says "Technology for the Benefit of Humanity" and "www.ieeeghtc.org".

Abstracts Due March 31, 2014

The Global Humanitarian Technology Conference (GHTC) is the flagship IEEE conference for presenting, discussing, and developing technological solutions to global humanitarian challenges. GHTC attracts presenters and attendees who work to meet the needs of populations affected by poverty, disaster, conflict, environmental change, and other impacts resulting in their needs being unmet or underserved.

In order to create and promote sustainable, holistic humanitarian solutions; the technical focus of the Conference is complemented by an integrated understanding of broader contexts such as economics, policy, culture, and the environment. GHTC welcomes participation by individuals and organizations from technical and non-technical backgrounds, including engineers, scientists, academics, small-businesses, corporations, philanthropists, foundations, and government and non-government organizations.

The Conference theme of "*Technology for the Benefit of Humanity*" is presented in five tracks:

1. **Energy:** infrastructure and off-grid power, renewable, transportation, lighting, cooking & heating
2. **Health:** medical technology, telemedicine, mobile care, primary care
3. **Disaster, connectivity, and communication:** disaster warning & avoidance, disaster response, disaster management, networks, remote communication, communication technologies
4. **Humanitarian challenges and opportunities:** education, housing, supply chain & distribution, business development
5. **Water and agriculture:** clean water, sanitation, irrigation, farming practices & agricultural technologies

Submission Schedule: Authors may submit content in the form of a technical paper, a lightning talk, a poster, or a special session such as a presentation, panel or workshop. All submissions require an abstract, draft, and final submission. Key dates include:

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| March 31 | Abstract submission |
| May 27 | Draft submission for review |
| July 18 | Final submission for review |
| August 21 | Final revised submission (if required) |

More information on sessions, submission requirements and deadlines, registration for the conference, hotel reservations and exhibiting is available on the GHTC website www.ieeeghtc.org. Please note:

- At least one author of the submission must attend and present at the Conference
- All submissions must be posted online at www.ieeeghtc.org/author-central
- All submissions must follow content & length guidelines available at www.ieeeghtc.org/author-central
- Necessary revisions must be completed before final acceptance
- Notification of acceptance or rejection will be sent via email
- International attendees are responsible for obtaining the proper Visas

Accepted papers will be published and included in IEEE Xplore. Accepted presentations will be posted on the GHTC website with the author's consent. Electronic media containing all accepted GHTC abstracts and papers will be distributed to registered attendees.

