DSM 2026 – Call For Contribution!

Threads of Collaboration: Interlacing Minds and Machines

28th International DSM Conference
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Dependency and Structure Modeling (DSM) techniques support the management of complexity by focusing attention on the elements of a complex system and how they relate to each other. DSM-based methods have proven to be very valuable in understanding, designing, and optimizing complex system architectures such as those of products, organizations, and processes.

The International DSM Conference provides a platform for researchers, practitioners, and developers of dependency modeling methods and tools to exchange experiences, discuss trends, and showcase results. The program consists of:

- Tutorials and workshops (DSM methods, industry sprint, software vendors)
- Keynote speeches
- Presentations of accepted research papers and abstracts
- Industry presentations
- Networking events

DSM 2026 will be held as an onsite conference in Milan, Italy on **September 29 – October 1, 2026** at **Politecnico di Milano** with involvement of **ABB**. DSM 2026 includes three submission tracks:

1: Full Papers (with doi)	**2: Extended Abstracts**	**3: Industry Presentations**
Deadline: **May 1st**	Deadline: **August 2nd**	Deadline: **August 2nd**
Feedback: June 17th	Feedback: August 18th	Feedback: August 18th

Full Papers of **6-10 pages** can be submitted for double-blinded review until **May 1st, 2026.** If you are at an **early stage of your research work** or working on **industry projects**, you can submit your work as a **published Extended Abstract** of **3-4 pages** to undergo a separate review and publication process until **August 2nd, 2026.**

If you are from **industry**, you can present your latest insights in the **Industry Presentation** track. Submit a short abstract (300-500 words) by **August 2nd, 2026**, which will be reviewed by the Industry Committee.

DSM 2026 invites contributions on Dependency and Structure Modeling (DSM) research and applications in (but not limited to) the following areas:

- Agile Development Methods
- Complexity Management
- DSM Data Collection and Model Generation
- DSM Methods and Tools
- Engineering Analytics and AI
- Human-AI Collaboration in Design
- Platform Architecture & Modularity
- Program/Project Management
- Socio-Technical Systems Modeling
- Systems Engineering & MBSE

DSM 2026 is run by the International DSM Community in cooperation with Politecnico di Milano, ABB, University of Stuttgart, Stevens Institute of Technology, Texas Christian University (TCU), and Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). It is an endorsed event by the Design Society. For more information, including templates for papers, please visit: **dsm-conference.org**.

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