

**Request for Proposals for AMS Special Sessions
at the Joint Mathematics Meetings in San Diego, CA, January 10-13, 2018**

The AMS solicits proposals for AMS Special Sessions at the 2018 Joint Mathematics Meetings to be held Wednesday January 10 through Saturday January 13, 2018 in San Diego, CA. Each proposal must include:

1. the name, affiliation, and email address of each organizer, with one organizer designated as the contact person for all communication about the session;
2. the title and a brief (no longer than one or two paragraphs) description of the topic of the proposed special session;
3. the primary two-digit MSC (Mathematics Subject Classification) number for the topic — see <http://www.ams.org/mathscinet/msc/msc2010.html>
4. a *sample* list of speakers whom the organizers plan to invite. (It is not necessary to have received confirmed commitments from these potential speakers.)

Organizers are strongly encouraged to consult the *AMS Manual for Special Session Organizers* at: www.ams.org/meetings/specialsessionmanual.html

Proposals for AMS Special Sessions should be sent by e-mail to AMS Associate Secretary Georgia Benkart (benkart@math.wisc.edu) by **April 7, 2017**. Late proposals will not be considered. No decisions will be made on Special Session proposals until after the submission deadline has passed.

Special Sessions will be allotted between 5 and 10 hours in which to schedule speakers. To enable maximum movement of participants between sessions, organizers must schedule session speakers for either (a) a 20-minute talk with 5-minute discussion and 5-minute break or (b) a 45-minute talk with 5-minute discussion and 10-minute break. Any combination of 20-minute and 45-minute talks is permitted, but all talks must begin and end at the scheduled time.

The number of Special Sessions in the AMS program at the Joint Mathematics Meetings is limited, and because of the large number of high-quality proposals, not all can be accepted. Please be sure to submit as detailed a proposal as possible for review by the Program Committee. Organizers of proposals will be notified whether their proposal has been accepted by May 12, 2017. Additional instructions and the session's schedule will be sent to the contact organizers of the accepted sessions shortly after that deadline.