

# CONTROLO 2026 COIMBRA

Coimbra,  
Portugal

September 9-11, 2026

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## 17th APCA International Conference on Automatic Control and Soft Computing

The biennial 17th APCA International Conference on Automatic Control and Soft Computing (CONTROLO 2026) will host an unforgettable meeting with the community engaged in presenting the latest developments in the fields of control, automation, robotics and soft computing. Its 2026 edition will be held in Coimbra, Portugal.

Research topics of interest for Regular Sessions include but are not limited to:

- **Control Systems**
- **Automation and Robotics**
- **Soft-Computing with application to Control, Automation or Robotics**

CONTROLO 2026 will also feature Special Sessions and additional programmes to be confirmed closer to the date of the conference, such as Keynotes, Workshops, and Discussion Panels.



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- IEEE Industrial Electronics Society
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### Important Dates

#### Special Session Proposal

January 15, 2026

#### Paper Submission

May 1, 2026

#### Acceptance Notification

July 1, 2026

#### Camera Ready

July 17, 2026

#### Early bird Registration

July 31, 2026

#### Registration

July 1, 2026 – September 9, 2026

#### Conference

September 9 – 11, 2026

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