

Call for Papers

We are pleased to invite contributions for OPC Day International 2026, the virtual event where IT and OT experts come together to exchange insights and innovations in the field of industrial interoperability. The conference will be a platform to showcase success stories, research projects, case studies, and experience reports related to various aspects of industrial interoperability. Accepted papers will be distributed with the other material and their authors will get the opportunity to present their content during the virtual conference to all attendees. This year, we welcome submissions addressing the following categories:

1. Core Technology

The OPC Foundation has published lots of explanations for the core OPC UA technology already, but if you find something missing, we are happy to hear from you.

- Your topic

2. Modeling Capabilities

Please submit topics that describe advances in modeling techniques for designing and implementing interoperable systems, like:

- Models out of the core automation business (like vending machines, kitchen equipment, ...)
- Security management
- Custom information models
- UNS (Universal Namespace)

3. Security

The OPC Foundation has published lots of security-related presentations already. Please submit best practices, tools, and methodologies for these topics, like:

- Onboarding challenges
- Security management
- Pen testing
- Government requirements, like the Cyber Resilience Act (CRA)
- Security in hardware-constrained devices
- Security in cloud scenarios

4. **Field Interoperability**

Please submit your exciting input relating to topics like:

- OPC UA in hardware-constrained devices
- OPC UA, including C2C functionality via UAFX
- OPC UA, including IT infrastructure like APL, SPE, TSN, 5G,
- OPC UA Safety

5. **Cloud Interoperability**

Innovations, standards, and case studies related to interoperability in scenarios like:

- Interoperability between OT and IT, like OPC UA over MQTT or REST
- Interoperability between Digital Twins
- Interoperability and other information regarding DataSpaces
- Interoperability, information modelling of, and connectivity for Metaverses

6. **Government regulations**

Research and practices or insights into implementations addressing topics like:

- EU Digital Product Passport (DPP)
- Product Carbon Footprint (PCF)

7. **Brownfield Integration**

Strategies and solutions for integrating new technologies into existing systems or infrastructure like:

- Reference architecture
- AI-assisted onboarding of legacy devices
- Best practices

8. **Success Stories**

OPC Foundation is a worldwide community where everybody benefits from community efforts. Please provide your input by sharing with others your:

- Success stories
- Best practices
- Challenges and experiences

9. **Visionary Use-Cases**

OPC UA is widely used in the industry today for vertical integration in industrial automation use-cases. Here we are interested in Out-Of-The-Box ideas, use-cases which are not the first you would think of regarding OPC UA.

Submission Guidelines:

- Prospective authors are invited to submit original contributions in the form of full research papers, case studies, or experience reports.
- Submissions should adhere to the specified format and be submitted via mail to events@opcfoundation.org by the specified deadline.
- The language of the conference, and for all paper submissions, is English
- All submitted papers will undergo a peer-review process.

Important Dates:

- Paper Submission Deadline: March, 14th, 2026
- Notification of Acceptance: March 30th, 2026
- Camera-Ready Papers Due: April 30th, 2026
- OPC Day International Dates: May 18th to 22nd, 2026

Contact Information: For inquiries regarding paper submission and general information, please contact events@opcfoundation.org.

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Abstract (English) Summarize the main objectives, methodology, results, and conclusions of your paper in a brief abstract	
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