

# ROBOTICS AND AUTOMATION

**Honorary Chairs:**

CHEN Shiyi, SUSTech, China  
 WANG Shuguo, Xi'an Jiaotong, China  
 XU Yangsheng, CUHK Shenzhen, China  
 ZHOU Yu, Harbin Inst. of Tech., China

**General Chair:**

MENG Q.-H. Max, SUSTech/CUHK, China

**Regional General Chairs:**

KHATIB Oussama, Stanford Univ., USA  
 GUAN Xiaohong, Xi'an Jiaotong, China  
 LIU Hong, Harbin Inst. of Tech., China  
 NELSON Bradley, ETHZ, Switzerland

**Program Chair:**

SUN Yu, University of Toronto, Canada

**Regional Program Chairs:**

ASAMA Hajime, Univ. of Tokyo, Japan  
 BICCHI Antonio, University of Pisa, Italy  
 DING Han, Huazhong UST, China  
 FU Yili, Harbin Inst. of Tech., China  
 HUTCHINSON Seth, Georgia Tech., USA  
 LI Dichen, Xi'an Jiaotong, China

**Awards Chairs:**

GU J. Jason, Dalhousie Univ., Canada  
 QIAO Hong, CAS Inst. Automation, China  
 ZHANG Hong, SUSTech, China

**Tutorials and Workshops Chairs:**

KROEGER Torsten, KIT, Germany  
 PATEL Rajni, Western Univ., Canada  
 YANG X. Simon, U. of Guelph, Canada

**Finance Chairs:**

HU Chao, Zhejiang Univ. Ningbo, China  
 NAKAUCHI Yasushi, U. Tsukuba, Japan

**Publications Chairs:**

SONG Shuang, HIT Shenzhen, China  
 WANG Zhidong, Chiba Inst. Tech., Japan

**Videos Chairs:**

LIU Li, CUHK, HKSAR, China  
 LIU Jun, CityU of HK, HKSAR, China  
 QI Lin, Northeastern University, China  
 REN Hongliang, NUS, Singapore

**Exhibits Chairs:**

CHANG Feng, GaiTech, China  
 WANG Jiaole, HIT Shenzhen, China  
 WU Xinyu, CAS SIAT, China  
 ZHU Xiaorui, HIT Shenzhen, China

**Industrial Forum Chairs:**

LI Bing, HIT Shenzhen, China  
 LI Zexiang, HKUST, HKSAR, China  
 LIU Yunhui, CUHK, HKSAR, China

**Woman in Engineering Panel Chairs:**

AMATO Nancy, Texas A&M Univ., USA  
 GUO Yi, Stevens Inst. of Tech., USA  
 YUAN Yixuan, CityU of HK, HKSAR, China

**Student Activity Panel Chairs:**

HOWARD Ayanna, Georgia Tech., USA  
 LIU X. Peter, Carleton University, Canada  
 XIAO Jing, Worcester Polytechnic, USA  
 ZHOU Mengchu, NJIT, USA

**Publicity Committee Chairs:**

CHI Wenzheng, Soochow Univ., China  
 LIU Rong, Dalian U. of Tech., China  
 WANG Lujia, CAS SIAT, China  
 YAN Tingfang, CUHK, HKSAR, China  
 ZHENG Minhua, BJTU, China

**Local Arrangement Chairs:**

HUANG Panfeng, NWPU, China  
 WANG Jiankun, SUSTech, China  
 ZHANG Ang, CUHK, HKSAR, China  
 ZHOU Yue, CUHK, HKSAR, China

**Secretariat:** [info@ieee-icra.org](mailto:info@ieee-icra.org)

YAN Tingcui, SUSTech, China  
 WU Yan, Harbin Inst. of Tech., China



**May 30 - June 5, 2021**

**Xi'an International  
Convention & Exhibition Center  
Xi'an, China**

## Call for Papers

The 2021 International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA 2021) will take place from May 30 to June 5, 2021 at Xi'an International Convention and Exhibition Center in Xi'an, China. Due to the influence of the Covid-19 pandemic, the ICRA 2021 will be held in a hybrid format, including simultaneous on-site and cloud meetings.

Located in the central-northwest China, Xi'an records the great change of the country just like a living history book. Called Chang'an (meaning the eternal city) in ancient times, it is one of the birthplaces of the ancient Chinese civilization in the Yellow River Basin area. As the eastern terminal of the Silk Road and the site of the famous Terra Cotta Warriors of the Qin Dynasty (221-207 BC), the city has won a reputation all over the world. More than 3,000 years of history including over 1,100 years as the capital city of ancient dynasties, have endowed the city with an amazing historical heritage. Travellers marvel at the numerous historical sites and cultural relics in the city. Xi'an is the capital of Shaanxi Province, China, a sub-provincial city on the Guanzhong Plain in Northwestern China. Since the 1990s, as part of the economic revival of inland China especially for the central and northwest regions, the city of Xi'an has re-emerged as an important culture, industrial and educational center of the central-northwest region, with facilities for research and development, national security and space exploration. It is the most populous city in Northwest China and named as one of the 13 emerging megacities, or megalopolises, in China.

The ICRA 2021 conference promises to be a great event with excellent technical and social programs, with hybrid simultaneous on-site and cloud meetings. Paper manuscripts reporting original research results on all aspects of robotics, AI and automation are welcome. Proposals for tutorials and workshops, and organized sessions, on emerging topics and innovative applications with significant impact are invited. Video clips illustrating original and impactful results are invited for video sessions. Exhibits from both industries and research labs are welcome. All submitted contributions will be evaluated for the various awards associated with the ICRA 2021 conference. Plenary and keynote presentations from the world top achievers in robotics, AI and automation will be invited and delivered. For all the detailed information about any aspects of the ICRA 2021 conference, please visit the official conference websites at the link below or <http://www.icra2021.org>.

**<https://2021.ieee-icra.org>**

**Important Dates:**

RA-L papers with ICRA presentation due: **October 15, 2020**

Contributed papers & video clips due: **October 31, 2020**

Workshops & tutorial proposals due: **November 15, 2020**

Acceptance of workshops & tutorials: **January 31, 2021**

Notification of paper acceptance: **February 28, 2021**

Submission of final accepted papers: **March 25, 2021**

Early-bird registration deadline: **March 25, 2021**

Advance registration deadline: **April 25, 2021**

