

2027 GEORGIA TECH FAULT AND DISTURBANCE ANALYSIS CONFERENCE

AUTHOR'S GUIDELINES FOR FORMAT AND PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

The following guidelines are for author's who are preparing to present a paper at the 2027 Georgia Tech Fault and Disturbance Analysis Conference. **The FDA conference is being held from May 3 - 4, 2027 to avoid conflict with other events.** There will be no CD-ROMs or other paperwork containing the presentations available during the Georgia Tech FDA conference. All submitted papers and Microsoft® PowerPoint® material will be available on the Georgia Tech website during the time of the conference or shortly thereafter.

NOTE: Please return ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SHEET (page #9) no later than February 20, 2027

ABSTRACT and PAPER PRESENTATION UPLOAD/REVIEW PROCESS

The initial Abstract submission is accomplished by following the procedures starting on page #3 of 10 to access the Georgia Tech FDA website at http://www.ap-concepts.com/2027_FDA/ after first following the sign up procedures, and then selecting the {Make Submission} feature shown on the following pages where the following specific info must be entered;

- Enter Paper Submission Title
- Enter Author(s) Information
- Select an alternate "Add Author" contact, if applicable
- Enter email address
- Select Paper Topic Areas
- Enter Keywords and Abstract information in the Content section
- Enter Optional Comments if needed
- Finally, click on the **"Make Submission"** button

*Please make a note of your **Password**, as well as any assigned **Submission ID** number*

Upon completion of the "Make Submission" information, authors will then be provided via an email from Georgia Tech with a **Submission ID** number for future uploads and paper corrections to be used in combination with the author's selected password. **Be sure to open all web browsers in the full-screen mode.**

PAPER UPLOAD and REVIEW PROCESS

On **22 March** that occurs six weeks prior to the May 3, 2027 starting date of the FDA Conference, Authors are required to register/upload the preliminary copy of their accepted paper and Microsoft® PowerPoint® or other TRUC/GaTech conference properly formatted presentation to http://www.ap-concepts.com/2027_FDA/. Authors should have clicked on the **"Sign In" field when first registering and submitting the accepted abstract.** Afterwards the authors must again click on the **Make Submission** link to upload revised papers, presentations, author forms and/or biographies any number of times. Each time prior to authors re-uploading a file, the Author must re-enter the originally assigned Submission ID and Password. The previous file in the same category (paper, presentation, author form, bio etc.) will be automatically deleted and overwritten.

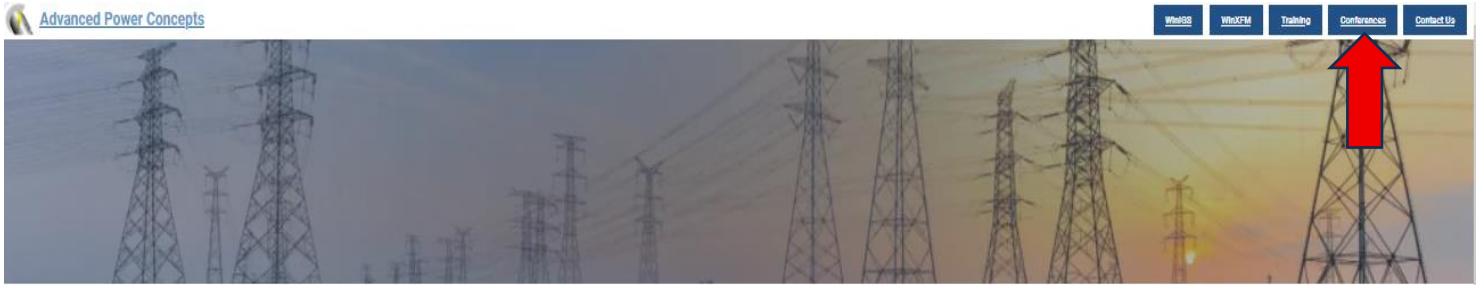
Also, if an author forgets his/her password the system can be prompted to send an email to the author with password recovery information.

Step #1: An account must be set up before any papers can be uploaded to the Georgia Tech website. Follow the instructions by first clicking on the **Sign In** link, then selecting **Create an Account** to open the account creation dialog within the following page. Under the second **Create an Account** pop-up screen, enter your email address, but do not enter anything into the **Keycode** area. Select the **Verify Email Address** button.

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After exercising the http://www.ap-concepts.com/2027_FDA/ hyperlink, the following Advanced Power Concepts website will appear. Click on **Conferences** above the **Red** arrow within the toolbar.



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Oops. Use the links below to get you back on the grid.

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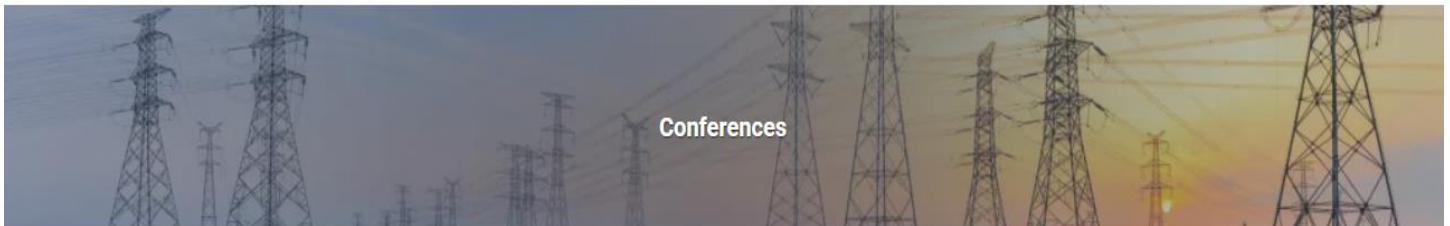
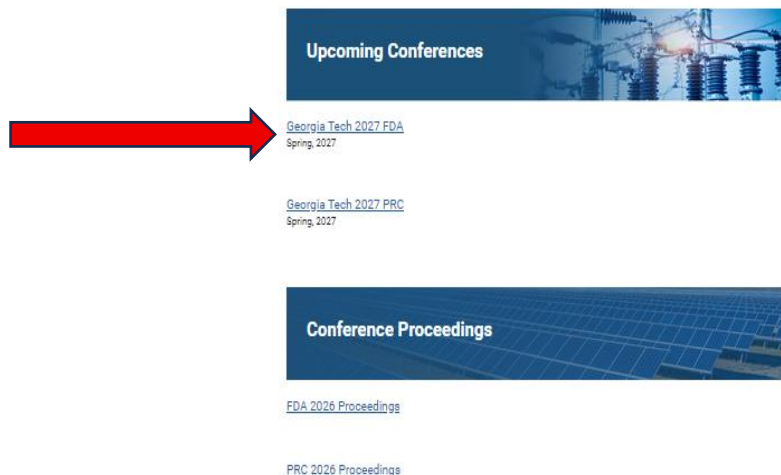
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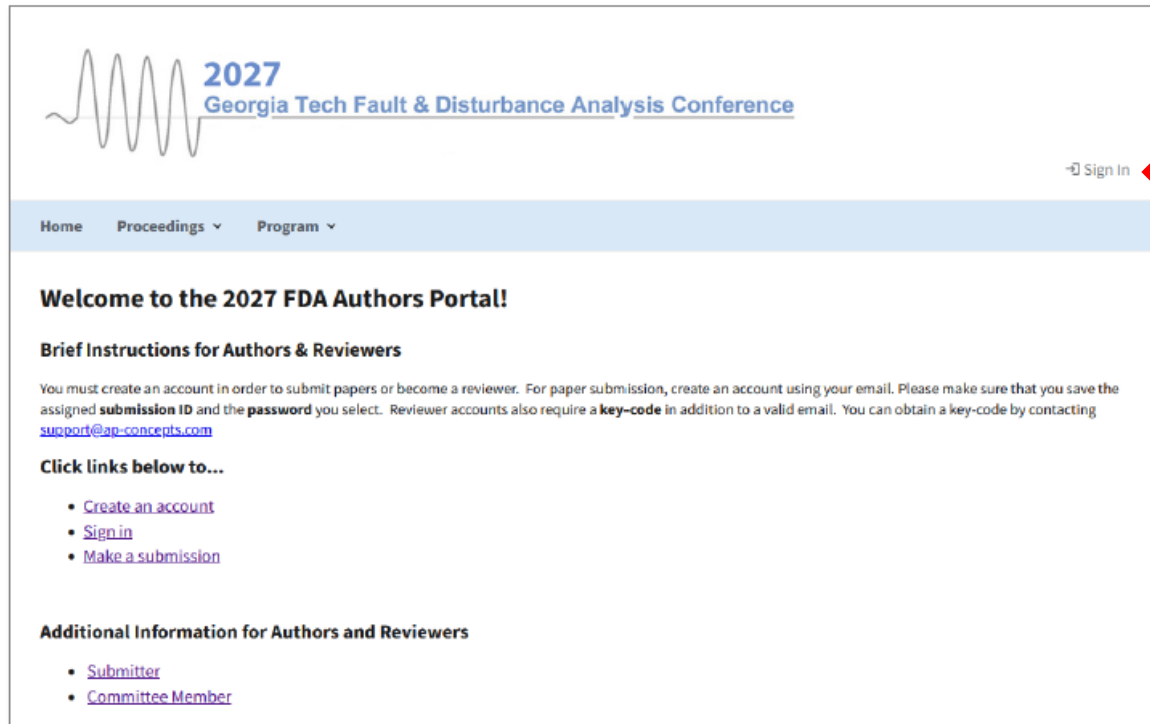
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Sign In

Home Proceedings Program

Welcome to the 2027 FDA Authors Portal!

Brief Instructions for Authors & Reviewers

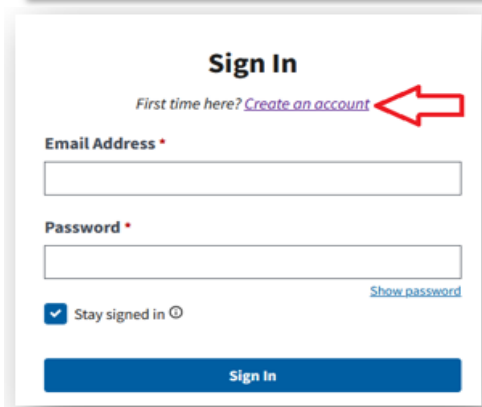
You must create an account in order to submit papers or become a reviewer. For paper submission, create an account using your email. Please make sure that you save the assigned **submission ID** and the **password** you select. Reviewer accounts also require a **key-code** in addition to a valid email. You can obtain a key-code by contacting support@ap-concepts.com

Click links below to...

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- [Sign in](#)
- [Make a submission](#)

Additional Information for Authors and Reviewers

- [Submitter](#)
- [Committee Member](#)



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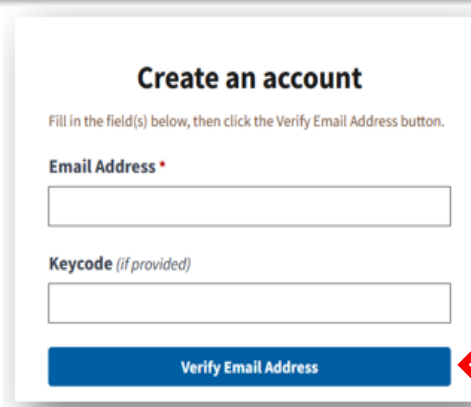
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Create an account

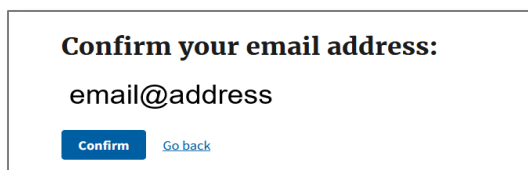
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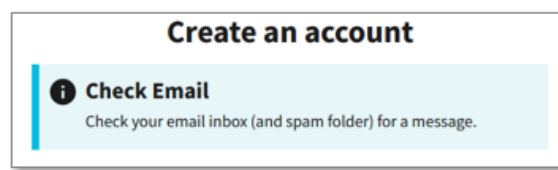
Then click on the **Confirm** button if the email address is correct. Check your email Inbox and Spam/Junk email folders to confirm that you received the email. You must click on the provided hyperlink that is included within the received email to complete the **Account Setup** procedure that includes entering a minimum 10+ character password.



Confirm your email address:

email@address

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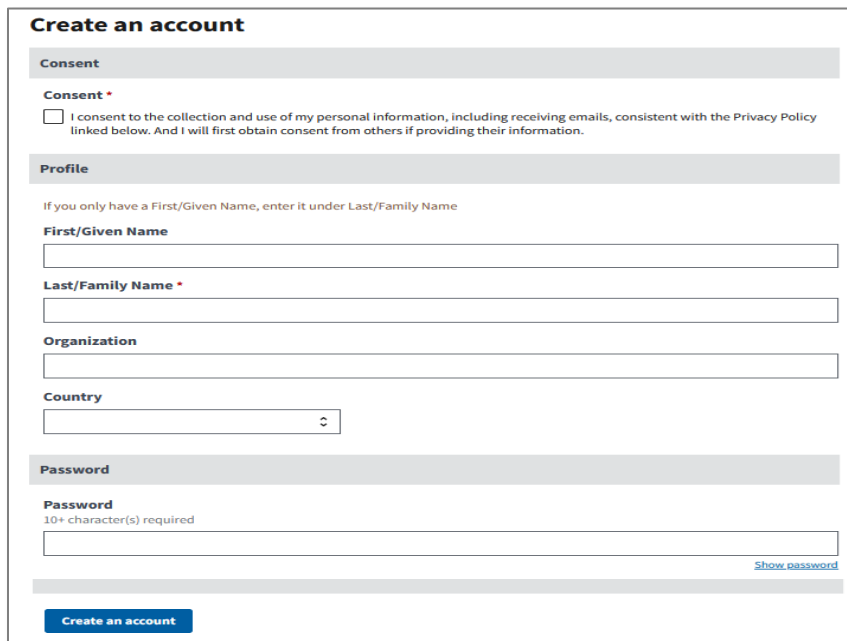
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Check Email
Check your email inbox (and spam folder) for a message.

This will return you to the following form of the authors website. Check the **Consent** box. Fill in the form boxes, including a *password* of your choice. *Please make sure you save this password*. After completed, again select **Create an Account**.

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Create an account

Consent

Consent *

☐ I consent to the collection and use of my personal information, including receiving emails, consistent with the Privacy Policy linked below. And I will first obtain consent from others if providing their information.

Profile

If you only have a First/Given Name, enter it under Last/Family Name

First/Given Name

Last/Family Name *

Organization

Country

Password

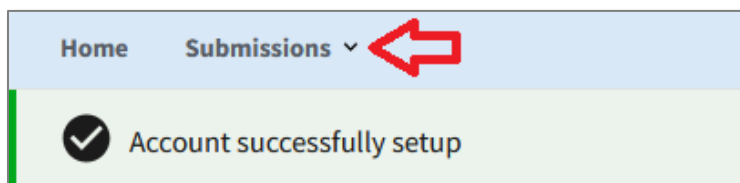
Password

10+ character(s) required

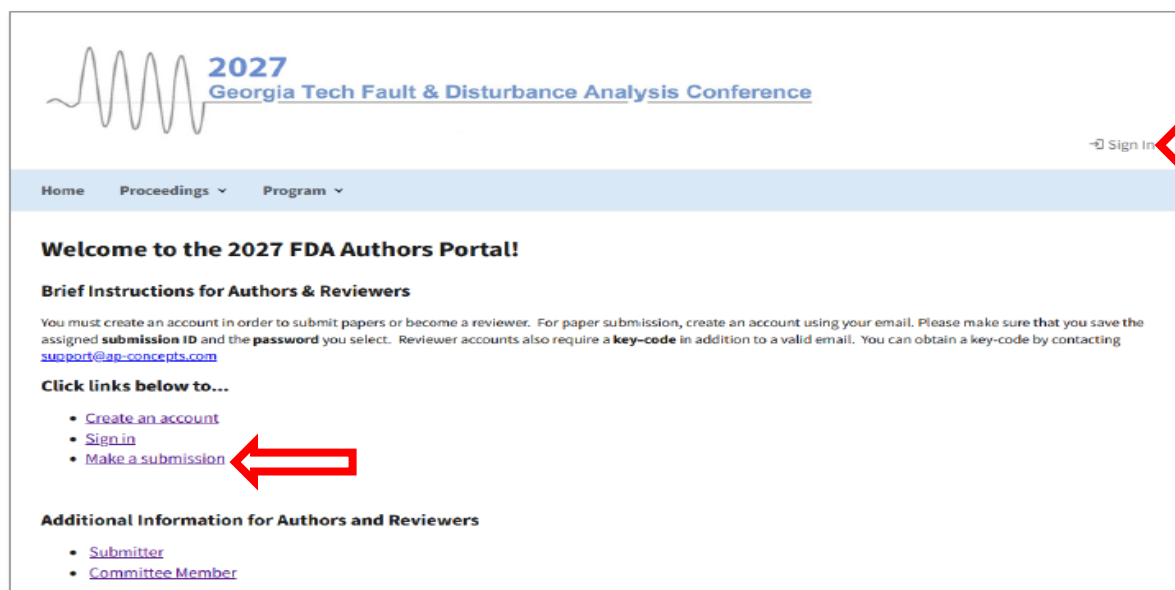
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This completes the account creation. After your account has been created, you can simply **Sign in** again to submit an original Paper, BIO or PowerPoint®, view or change your Paper or PowerPoint® submissions.



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Once signed in, click on the **Submissions** pull-down menu to make a Submission.

Making Submissions

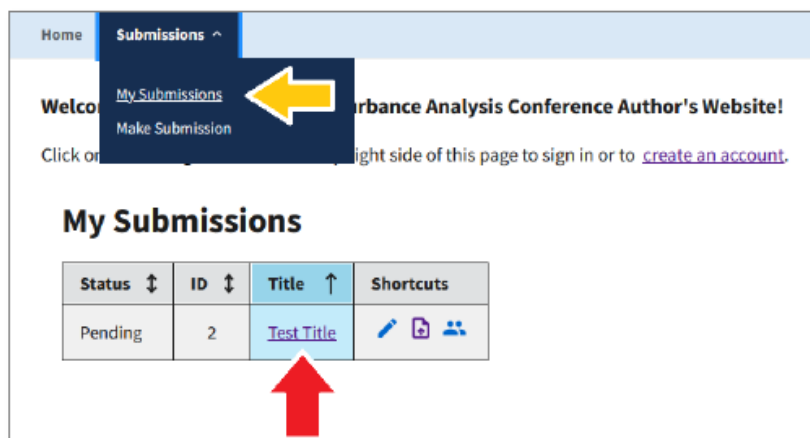
In order to make a submission, click on the **Make a Submission** link. 

Fill in all applicable fields, specifically:

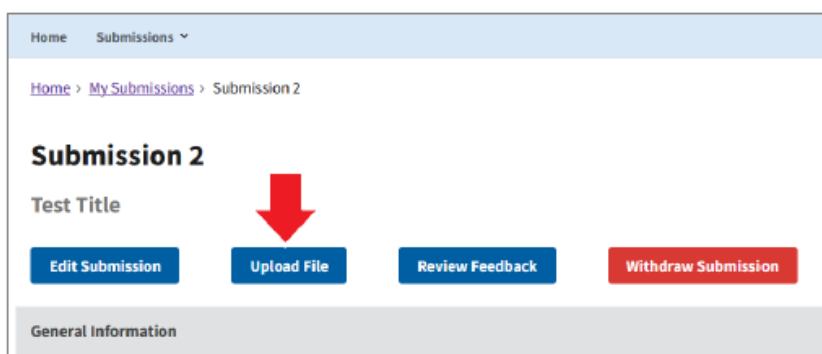
- Check Consent check box,
- Enter Submission Title
- Enter Author Information
- Click on the **General** radio-button under Topic Areas
- Enter Keywords and Abstract
- Select your password.
- Click on the **Make Submission** button
- *Please make a note of your **Password**, as well as the assigned **Submission ID** number*

The next steps are applicable only for accepted abstracts!

Once your submission is accepted, please return to this website in order to upload your paper, presentation, biography etc. To upload a document, click on the **My Submissions** command of the **Submissions** menu (illustrated below):



Then click on the submission title (red arrow).



Click on the Upload File button.

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Next select the appropriate **“Upload Type”**. Note that several options are available:

- Paper,
- Slides (PPT),
- Slides (PDF),
- Author Form, and
- Biography

Click on the selected file area to open a file navigation window and select the file to upload.

Then click on the **Upload** button (see illustration below).

The screenshot shows a web interface for uploading a file. At the top, there are links for 'Home' and 'Submissions'. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > My Submissions > Submission 2 > Upload File'. The main heading is 'Upload File'. Underneath is a 'Test Title' field. A note states: 'Re-uploading a file will replace the existing file.' The 'Upload Type' dropdown menu is set to 'Paper', with a red arrow pointing to it. Below this is the 'File' section, which includes a file size limit of 30MB and a format of .pdf. A red arrow points to the 'Selected file' area, which shows a file named 'Original_LBO-52B.pdf' with a 'Change file' link. At the bottom, there is a blue 'Upload File' button, with a red arrow pointing to it.

If not making a New Submission, the **My Submissions** option can be selected to modify an existing Paper, BIO or PowerPoint® submission.

If your paper upload is successful, you will receive an email confirmation.

Make Submission



If you select **My Submissions** you will see all of the items you uploaded to the website.

You can also select My Account to **Change Password**, **Change Email Address** or **Edit Profile**.

NOTE: The **Committee Member** selection is reserved for Session Chair/Vice-Chair Authors who are members of the **TRUC** committee.

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Both the preliminary and subsequent Papers with PowerPoint® submissions will be reviewed by the assigned Session Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson. You will be notified by your Session Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson if there are any questions or issues related to your paper and/or PowerPoint® presentation that require correction, deletion, or modification, or if everything submitted is approved. **Please be sure to provide your telephone number to your assigned Chair and Vice Chairperson.**

TIME FOR PAPER

The time allocated for each paper at the Conference is stated in the program. It is expected that the oral presentation of the paper be completed 10 minutes prior to the allocated time. The remaining 10-minute period will be used for questions and/or discussions about the paper presentation and the changing of presenters.

CONTENT OF PAPER

The paper should emphasize more of the "why" and/or "how" more than the "what." Tell "why" or "how" a technique or scheme was applied to solve a problem. The paper must contain information of technical significance as opposed to commercial significance. **Vendor product names, promotional material and logos within the presentation must be avoided** as this has prompted numerous complaints from conference participants during previous conferences.

PRESENTATION

It is recommended that your presentation be prepared on a TRUC/GaTech approved Microsoft® PowerPoint® or other approved TRUC/GaTech formatted document.

Total time limit for each presentation is 30 minutes which includes 10 minutes for Q&A and changing of the presenters. As a presenter you need to be aware of the countdown timer so that you do not go into overtime. The timer counts down from 30 minutes and turns yellow with five minutes left and turns red with two minutes left before your 20-minute verbal presentation is to be concluded. Thereafter, questions will be entertained from the conference participants. Any time overruns with questioners from the audience should be handled by conversing offline with the audience participants/questioners.

Summarize the paper at the beginning; Hold the attention of the audience, when possible, by speaking impromptu. The session chairperson will limit the presentation to the allotted time for the paper. A signal will be given to the speaker 10 minutes prior to the end of the allotted time.

Should there be any last-minute changes to your Microsoft® PowerPoint® or other approved TRUC/GaTech formatted document presentation prior to your time to speak at the FDA conference, please bring your CD, USB drive or your laptop computer loaded with your pre-approved presentation software to be loaded onto the Georgia Tech computer in the conference room. Assistants can help you to use any of the available media of your choice.

Always remember to bring a paper copy (preferably color) of your presentation to be used for a backup if all other presentation equipment cannot be used. Georgia Tech facilities have the opaque overhead projector capability to project your presentation directly from paper copies.

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SLIDES AND VISUAL AIDS

The FDA Conference is a technical forum. Therefore, with the exception of the first cover page of the power point presentation that can have one vendor company logo and company name alongside each author, **vendor specific promotional data, vendor product names as well as vendor logos must never be included anywhere else in the Microsoft® PowerPoint® slides. Utility (non-vendor) users are authorized to include their logos throughout the power point presentation slides. Refer to the paper presentation reminders at the end of this document.**

The slides should summarize the content of the paper. The TRUC/GaTech template for the first cover page and other slides must be implemented and can be downloaded at:

https://truc.org/wp-content/uploads/FDA_2027-GaTech-First-Page-PPT.pptx

It is assumed that a Microsoft® PowerPoint® file will be used in your presentation. If other visual aids are required, please list your specific needs on the accompanying **Author Information Form** to be returned to Meka Wimberly at the address shown on the following page by **22 March 2027** six weeks prior to the **3 May 2027** starting date of the FDA Conference.

In preparing your visual aids, it may be useful to note that conference attendance generally exceeds 100, and the conference room is relatively large. Projection is to an elevated screen at the center front of the room.

A frequent complaint in the past has concerned busy slides with very small printing and too much data. Therefore, talking slides should have a maximum of four to six lines. Graphs should be confined to a single graph per slide, with adequately sized labels for easy audience viewing.

Authors who are using presentation software for slides should avoid contrasting colors that bleed or blur along the edges when observed from a computer projection display. The default presentation software color schemes provided in the software package usually provide the best color and contrast.

Detailed plots and oscillograms generally have greater clarity when slides are made from a copy stand photograph of the printed image rather than the CRT image.

NOTE: Please bring a copy of your presentation in Microsoft® PowerPoint® format on CDROM or USB drive. If appropriate, please embed true type fonts within the saved presentation.

THE TRUC SESSION CHAIRPERSON or an AUTHOR SUBMITTING a LATE PAPER and/or MICROSOFT® POWERPOINT® PRESENTATION to the CONTINUING EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE 4-WEEK DEADLINE PRIOR TO FDA CONFERENCE COMMENCEMENT:

Authors not submitting both the Paper and PowerPoint® presentation for review by the aforementioned deadlines and not receiving approval by the Session Chairperson or Vice-Chair may be replaced with an alternate paper.

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To ensure that a late submission of a Paper or PowerPoint® will appear in the Proceedings; It will be necessary for the Session Chairperson to have approved your paper (in PDF format) and PowerPoint® presentation (in PPT or PPTX format) so that both can be uploaded by the author to http://www.ap-concepts.com/2027_FDA/ or e-mailed as an original black & white or color copy of your paper, suitable for photocopying, and the presenter's biographical sketch to Georgia Tech (email to: meka.wimberly@pe.gatech.edu) by **19 April 2027** that is two-weeks prior to the **3 May 2027** starting date of the FDA Conference. The brief biographical sketch of all authors should be included on the last page of the paper. Session Chair/Vice-Chair person(s) must be copied on all correspondence.

The approved late paper submittal can also be mailed or **preferably emailed** to the following address by the author(s) to arrive at least one week before the FDA conference commences:

Conference on Fault and Disturbance Analysis

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Georgia Institute of Technology
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Atlanta, Georgia 30332-0250

Phone: 404-385-3555,

Email: meka.wimberly@lifetimelearning.gatech.edu | www.pe.gatech.edu

When submitting the paper in PDF format, please make sure to select the PRINT conversion setting in Adobe Acrobat and, if appropriate, embed all true-type fonts. Authors submitting final approved Papers and/or PowerPoint® documentation to the assigned Session Chairperson or Vice-Chair after the two-week deadline of 19 April 2027 that is two weeks prior to the 3 May 2027 commencement of the FDA Conference will be required to bring a USB thumb drive or CD-ROM containing the previously approved Paper and revised PowerPoint® presentation to the FDA Conference for uploading to the GaTech computer and designated GaTech website for distribution to the conference attendees. Final revisions of the approved Paper and/or PowerPoint® presentations to correct errors or offer clarifications may also be submitted by the author(s) to their assigned Chair/Vice-Chair prior to the start of the FDA Conference.

Questions you may have concerning the papers or other aspects of the Conference may be addressed to **Meka Wimberly** at 404-385-3555 (meka.wimberly@lifetimelearning.gatech.edu | www.pe.gatech.edu).

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS continue without a CD

Starting with the FDA 2018 Conference, CD-ROMs containing hard copies of the papers and power point presentations will not be provided by Georgia Tech or the TRUC committee. All material presented at the FDA Conference will be made available from the Georgia Tech website sometime during the conference or shortly thereafter. The website location for downloading the conference papers and visually projected slide presentations will be revealed for all attendees to locate during the FDA conference.

The presentations schedule, conference area maps and public announcements concerning local facilities will still be available on distributed paperwork.

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SOFT COPY PAPER FORMAT

The soft copy of your paper should be prepared on 8-1/2" x 11" sheets and printed on one side only. The margins should be 1 inch, top, bottom, left and right. The spacing, print style, etc., are left to the author's choice.

SESSION CHAIRPERSON or VICE-CHAIR COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson for the presentation session to which you have been assigned will provide their e-mail and telephone number contact information for you to use when communicating with them while they review your paper and the Microsoft® PowerPoint® presentation. Be sure to provide your cell/office telephone number contact information to the Chair/Vice-Chairpersons.

Copy and paste the following **REGISTRATION** into an e-mail along **with** your cell/office telephone numbers for return to meke.wimberly@pe.gatech.edu at the Georgia Tech Continuing Education Department and your Session Chairperson.

REGISTRATION

A discounted registration (50%) will be provided to the presenter of a technical paper (only one discount per technical paper). For this purpose, you should return a completed registration form marked "speaker." In case of a paper with multiple authors, only one registration fee per paper will be discounted, i.e., for the person who is designated as the presenter of the paper.

AUTHOR(S): _____

TITLE OF PAPER: _____

DATE & TIME OF PRESENTATION: _____

AUTHOR MAKING PRESENTATION: _____

SESSION CHAIRPERSON: _____

http://www.ap-concepts.com/2027_FDA/_FDA/openconf.php (Check conference program for revised websites)

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Your Brief Biographical Sketch: To save you time and trouble at the Conference, this information will be passed on to our Session Chairperson. This is in addition to the biographical sketch included at the end of your paper.

PLEASE RETURN BY February 19, 2027

Copy and paste the following **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** into the e-mail for return to meke.wimberly@pe.gatech.edu at the Georgia Tech Continuing Education Department and your Session Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson. Be sure to include your email address **and** cell/office telephone numbers with all correspondence.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PLEASE RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT NO LATER THAN:

February 19, 2027

TITLE OF PAPER:

AUTHORS/CO-AUTHORS

Telephone Numbers:

We acknowledge receipt of our paper acceptance and we plan to present the paper at the 2026 Fault and Disturbance Analysis Conference

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Authors Requiring US Visa to attend Conference

If the author needs a letter confirming acceptance of his or her paper for presentation at the Fault and Disturbance Analysis Conference, please contact Dr. A. P. Sakis Meliopoulos via email at sakis.m@gatech.edu. If required, this request should be made soon after the author receives notice of acceptance of the paper for presentation and has confirmed his or her ability to travel to the conference at the GaTech Convention Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

Again, be sure to include your EMAIL address **and** CELLPHONE/OFFICE telephone numbers with all correspondence to the Session Chair/Vice-Chair.

COMMERCIAL NOTES FOR PRESENTERS!!

USER PRESENTERS:

All “**User Presenters**” must still use the GaTech/TRUC approved PowerPoint® slides but are authorized to include company logos, names, etc on each slide.

VENDOR PRESENTERS:

However, all “**Vendor Presenters**” must still use the GaTech/TRUC approved PowerPoint®, but are forbidden to display **Company Names, Trade Names, Product Names, Product Model Numbers, or Product pictures, or any material that can be construed as promoting a particular company or product!!** However, the **first slide (only), in the vendor presenter’s PowerPoint® can have their company name/logo.**

USER AND VENDOR PRESENTER REMINDER:

All PowerPoint® presentations must be submitted to the individually assigned Session Chair/Vice-Chair for approval **BEFORE** being presented. Be sure to contact your assigned Session Chairperson prior to making your presentation to reconfirm that your presentation is permissible as written and you will be attending the FDA Conference. Be sure to have the telephone number of your Session Chair in case you have to make any changes to your presentation. Your assigned Session Chair/Vice-Chair person must approve any changes that may be made to your presentation prior to your assigned time to present your paper.

Once the FDA Conference has started for the day you are to present your paper, there will not be any changes allowed to your presentation. All presentations must be pre-approved by the session Chair or Vice-Chair and uploaded to the GaTech computer prior to the day of your session time.

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