

Call for Nominations: Symposium Invited Speakers (MSEC 2024)

ASME – Manufacturing Engineering Division (MED)
2024 ASME International Manufacturing Science & Engineering Conference (MSEC)
June 17- 21, 2024
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Hosted by University of Tennessee

I. Symposium Invited Speaker Program

Sponsored by ASME's MED, the MSEC 2024 Technical Program intends to **support high-profile researchers to give invited presentations in technical symposia** at the MSEC 2024 Conference. The goal of the Symposium Invited Speaker program is to:

- Increase visibility of the MSEC conference at both national and international levels;
- Provide networking opportunities with high-profile researchers who are not regular MSEC attendees.

Each selected Symposium Invited Speaker will be offered the following:

- A 45-minute session devoted to his/her presentation and the question/answer period;
- Complimentary full conference registration; and
- An honorarium.

The selected Invited Speakers will be expected to:

- Give a 30-minute technical presentation on an **emerging topic or a critical field in the area of Advanced Manufacturing**, which will be followed by 15 minutes of discussion, questions and answers (*specific date/time will be finalized by April 15, 2024*).
- Participate in the entire conference, to the extent possible.

II. Nomination Process & Deadline

1. Nomination Process:

- MED Technical Committee Chairs (i.e., Track Chairs listed below) should collect nominations from their Symposium Organizers. While this call may be advertised to the ASME community at large, it is expected that nominations will originate from organizers of MSEC 2024 symposia.
- Note that given the stated goal of this program, it is preferred that each nominee be someone who does not regularly attend the ASME Manufacturing Science & Engineering Conference (MSEC).
- After careful review of the received nominations, **each TC is expected to submit one nomination via email** to the MSEC 2024 Technical Program Chair: Dr. Chinedum Okwudire (okwudire@umich.edu) and the Technical Program Co-Chair: Dr. Guha Manogharan (gum53@psu.edu).
- Before submitting the nomination package, the nominators (or TC Chairs) should reach out to their nominee and request a copy of the recent CV, and also to confirm the interest in being nominated. (Note: The chance of the nominee agreeing to the invitation, if selected, greatly increases if he/she is known to and has been contacted by the nominator.)

2. **Nomination Deadline:**

- **By arrangement with TC Chairs – Symposium Organizers submit, via email, the Nomination Package for nominees to the sponsoring Technical Committee/Track Chair:**

Track 1: ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING, *Dr. Chi Zhou*, chizhou@buffalo.edu

Track 2: ADVANCED MATERIALS MANUFACTURING, *Dr. Saeed Farahani*, sfaraha@clermson.edu

Track 3: BIOMANUFACTURING, *Dr. Yihao Zheng*, yzheng8@wpi.edu

Track 4: LIFE CYCLE ENGINEERING, *Dr. Julius Schoop*, julius.schoop@uky.edu

Track 5: MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT & AUTOMATION, *Dr. Chandra Nath*, nathc@purdue.edu

Track 6: MANUFACTURING PROCESSES, *Dr. Jingjing Li*, jul572@psu.edu

Track 7: MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS, *Dr. Xiaoning Jin*, xi.jin@northeastern.edu

Track 8: NANO/MICRO/MESO MANUFACTURING, *Dr. Ping Guo*, ping.guo@northwestern.edu

Track 9: QUALITY & RELIABILITY, *Dr. Emma Yang*, yiran.yang@uta.edu

- **December 15, 2024 – Each TC submits, via email, the Nomination Package for their nominee (1 per TC) to the MSEC 2024 Technical Program Chair, Dr. Chinedum Okwudire (okwudire@umich.edu) and Co-chair: Dr. Guha Manogharan (gum53@psu.edu).**

3. **Nomination Package:** Documents (A) and (B) merged into one PDF file.

(A) One-page document that, at a minimum, includes the following information about the nominated speaker:

- ❖ Name;
- ❖ Job title, Affiliation;
- ❖ E-mail, Work phone number, Work address;
- ❖ Tentative topic/title of the presentation;
- ❖ Justification: One succinct paragraph describing how the nominated Symposium Invited Speaker will align with and benefit MSEC 2024, and the MED community in general;
- ❖ Indicating if the nominee ever attended MSEC, and if so, how often; and
- ❖ Indicating if the nominee has been contacted by the nominator(s) and expressed interest in such an opportunity.

(B) CV of the nominee.

4. **Decision on Nominations:**

- a. **January 12, 2024 –** The MSEC 2024 Technical Program Chair/Co-Chair will recommend at least three Symposium Invited Speakers to the MED Executive Committee (EC), and upon approval by the MED EC, will communicate the decision with the nominators and the respective TC Chairs.
- b. An invitation letter will be emailed to each of the selected nominees, and it will require them to return with a decision (accept or decline) within a 2-week window. If a nominee declines, the opportunity will be passed to the nominee ranked next.