53rd International Research Conference of iarigai
Advances in Printing and Media Technology

# Form, Function & Future:
## *The Next Generation of Sustainable Packaging, Materials, Print and Media*

**Toronto, Canada ✦ August 24-27, 2027**

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**Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU)** and its **School of Graphic Communications Management (GCM)** welcome **iarigai** (The International Association of Research Organizations for the Information, Media and Graphic Arts Industries) and IC (International Circle of Educational Institutes of Graphic-Media Technology & Management) to **Toronto, Canada**, for their annual conferences, **August 24-27, 2027**.

Under the theme **"Form, Function & Future: *The Next Generation of Sustainable Packaging, Materials, Print and Media*,"** the conference provides an international forum to discuss scientific discoveries, technological developments, sustainable materials, management practices, and educational innovations across print, packaging, and digital media.

## Conference Topics and Key Focus Areas

The conferences encompass a broad range of research topics. Key focus areas for the **iarigai** conference include, but are not limited to:

- Printing and Processes & Technologies
- Sustainable Packaging, Circular Economy & Biomaterials
- Additive Manufacturing & Bioprinting
- Printed Electronics & Smart Media
- New Printing Applications, Functionalization, Security Printing
- Functional Inks & Ink Characterization
- Colour, Quality, Specifications & Standards
- Artificial Intelligence, Augmented Reality & Automation
- Management, Workforce Development & Strategy

## Call for Submissions

To provide greater flexibility for both rigorous academic research and emerging industry/educational initiatives, **iarigai** 2027 offers three distinct submission categories.

### 1 Format 1: Presentation — Double Peer Review (Extended Abstract)

*Authors submit an Extended Abstract of 2,000 to 3,000 words (including 3–5 keywords, methodology, diagrams, data tables, and conclusions demonstrating scientific novelty).*

- **Review Process:** Traditional full double peer review conducted by at least two independent international experts.
- **Publication & Program:** Accepted contributions will be delivered as oral presentations within the scientific program. Following presentation at the conference, these extended abstracts will be published in the indexed, citable **iarigai** "Advances in Printing and Media Technology" online publication. Presentation slides will be available on the **iarigai** website and the short abstract of the extended abstract will be published in the conference proceedings distributed to attendees. Following presentation at the conference, these extended abstracts will be published in the indexed, citable **iarigai** "Advances in Printing and Media Technology" online publication.

### 2 Format 2: Presentation — Editorial Review (Short Abstract)

*Authors submit a Short Abstract of 300 to 500 words summarizing ongoing research, applied industrial developments, educational methodologies, or exploratory case studies.*

- **Review Process:** Editorial review conducted by the **iarigai** Program Committee.
- **Publication & Program:** Accepted submissions will be integrated into the oral presentation program and the short abstract will be published in the conference proceedings distributed to attendees. Presentation slides will be available on the **iarigai** website. **Note:** Editorial-review submissions will not be published in the indexed **iarigai** "Advances in Printing and Media Technology" online publication.

### 3 Format 3: Poster Session — Editorial Review (Short Abstract)

*Authors submit a Short Abstract of 300 to 500 words intended for visual poster presentation, showcasing preliminary results, student research, novel project concepts, or technological demonstrations.*

- **Review Process:** Editorial review conducted by the **iarigai** Program Committee.
- **Publication & Program:** Authors of accepted submissions will prepare a vertical poster (standard A0 format: 841 mm × 1189 mm) to be displayed throughout the conference during dedicated poster and networking sessions. The short abstract will be published in the conference proceedings. **Note:** Poster abstracts will not be published in the indexed **iarigai** "Advances in Printing and Media Technology" online publication.

## Summary of Submission Options and Publication Channels

| Submission Format | Abstract Length | Review Type | Program Role | Publication Channel |
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| 1 **Presentation** *(Double Peer Review)* | 2,000–3,000 words *(extended)* | Double peer review *(2+ experts)* | Oral Presentation | Indexed **iarigai** Advances & Conference Proceedings |
| 2 **Presentation** *(Editorial Review)* | 300–500 words *(short)* | Editorial Review *(Program Committee)* | Oral Presentation | Conference Proceedings only |
| 3 **Poster Session** *(Editorial Review)* | 300–500 words *(short)* | Editorial Review *(Program Committee)* | Poster Session *(A0 vertical)* | Conference Proceedings only |

## Important Deadlines

| Date | Milestone / Action | Applicable To |
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| **March 15, 2027** | Deadline for initial submissions of all types (Extended and Short Abstracts) | All Submissions 1 2 3 |
| **May 15, 2027** | **EA:** Notification of reviewer comments; author revision window opens | Submissions 1 |
| | **SA:** Final decisions and formal acceptance communicated to authors | Submissions 2 3 |
| **June 8, 2027** | **EA:** Final deadline for authors to submit revised abstracts and for response to reviewers' comments | Submissions 1 |
| **June 15, 2027** | **EA:** Final decisions and formal acceptance communicated to authors | Submissions 1 |
| **July 15, 2027** | Deadline for Early Bird Registration (standard registration continues thereafter) | All Participants |
| **August 24 – 27, 2027** | **iarigai & IC Joint International Conference in Toronto, Canada** | **All Registered Attendees** |

**EA** = Extended Abstract **SA** = Short Abstract

## Submission Procedure via EasyChair

All submissions must be managed electronically through EasyChair. **Submissions sent by email will not be considered.**

1 **Access the Submission Portal:**
Navigate to the official **iarigai** 2027 EasyChair portal at: https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iarigai2027

2 **EasyChair Account:**
Log in to EasyChair with your credentials. If you do not have an account, click "Create an account", complete the captcha, and verify your email address to activate your profile.

3 **Template:**
Click on "Make a New Submission". Click on "Templates" to download the **iarigai** 2027 Abstract template (docx), which contains information for both short and extended abstracts.

4 **Submission:**
Click on "New Submission". Kindly read the **iarigai** 2027 Submission Instructions (PDF). Please complete all requested information, and choose submission type (Short Abstract for poster, Short Abstract for presentation, or Extended Abstract). Upload your abstract (docx) and Presenter biography (both required).

5 **Upload:**
Click "Submit" and verify receipt of your confirmation email.

## After Submission

**Review:**
All extended abstracts will be reviewed by at least two independent experts. Short abstracts will be subject to editorial review. Authors of reviewer-recommended contributions will be expected to submit the final text of their extended abstract or short abstract before acceptance, responding to reviewer comments no later than **June 8, 2027**.

**Journal of Print and Media Technology Research:**
Authors of high-quality contributions will be invited to expand their work into full-length scientific papers for possible publication in the peer-reviewed Journal of Print and Media Technology Research.

**Author Registration Requirement:**
At least one author of each accepted submission must register for the conference and attend in person to present the paper or poster. Early Bird registration is open until **July 15, 2027**. Registration remains available after **July 15, 2027**, at standard conference rates.

**Kindly consider sharing this information with interested colleagues. We look forward to seeing you in Toronto in August 2027!**

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