

Special Session Call for Papers for STE 2025

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“Blockchain Education: Skills and Knowledge for a Decentralized Future (BCH-EDU)”

as part of the

International Conference on Smart Technologies & Education (STE 2025)

BCH-EDU Background and Overview

As blockchain technology increasingly permeates fields such as finance, healthcare, supply chains, and beyond, preparing students and professionals with foundational and advanced blockchain competencies has become essential. This Special Session will explore the core components of effective blockchain education, including curriculum design, industry collaboration, and skill development for a blockchain-savvy workforce. Topics will cover pedagogical approaches, best practices in curriculum integration, and the critical competencies needed for diverse blockchain applications. Join educators, developers, and industry experts to discuss how to shape accessible, impactful blockchain education that equips learners to navigate and innovate within the blockchain ecosystem.

BCH-EDU Topics

We welcome submissions from all topics of education applied to blockchain technologies, including but not limited to the following:

- Blockchain Fundamentals and Core Competencies
- Curriculum Design and Development for Blockchain Education
- Blockchain in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)
- Educational Best Practices for Blockchain Skill Development
- Industry Partnerships for Practical Blockchain Learning
- Hands-on Learning: Labs, Sandboxes, and Blockchain Simulations
- Blockchain Certification and Credentialing Programs
- Online Platforms and Resources for Blockchain Education
- Assessment and Evaluation in Blockchain Education
- Interdisciplinary Blockchain Education Approaches
- Challenges and Barriers in Blockchain Education
- Blockchain Ethics, Privacy, and Security in the Curriculum
- Preparing Educators and Trainers in Blockchain Technology
- Regional and Global Standards in Blockchain Education
- Future Trends and Innovations in Blockchain Learning
- others

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Special Sessions General Information

Special Sessions, held in parallel with the general conference, are an integral part of the conference. They provide researchers in focused areas the opportunity to meet and present their work, and offer a forum for interaction among the broader community of technology-enhanced learning, and online engineering world-wide. Special sessions papers are required to meet the same standards as papers in the general conference and are published in the same conference proceedings.

Special Session papers must be submitted to REV submission server ([ConfTool® Submission Server](#)) to the respective Special Session track. Special Session papers will be reviewed by at least two members of the Special Session's Program Committee, and acceptance decisions will be made by the conference program Co-Chairs and Special Sessions Chair.

Important Deadlines

02 Dec 2024	Submission of complete Special Session papers
13 Jan 2025	Notification of acceptance
03 Feb 2025	Camera-ready due & Author registration deadline
09 Apr 2025	STE 2024 opening

Review/Proceedings

All submissions will undergo a double-blind review process. All accepted and presented papers will be published as STE 2025 Proceedings in Springer's Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems. The books of these series are submitted to ISI Proceedings, EI-Compendex, DBLP, SCOPUS, Google Scholar and Springerlink. Selected award-winning papers will be recommended for publication in international journals.