

First Call for Papers for ICLP2026 Japan



The 38th International Conference on Lightning Protection:
ICLP2026 will be held in Sapporo, Japan 31st May - 5th June 2026.

This conference is the world's most prestigious and large-scale international conference on lightning protection, and will be held in Japan for the first time in 20 years, since it was held in Kanazawa in 2006.

Sapporo city, which will host ICLP 2026, has a population of more than 1.9 million and is the fourth most populous city in Japan and the political, economic, and cultural center of Hokkaido area.

The conference venue, "Kaderu 2.7", is located in the center of Sapporo City.

ICLP 2026 will hold plenary, technical and poster sessions on a wide range of topics, including lightning protection and lightning damage prevention measures for buildings, people, equipment, and contents, as well as test methods related to lightning discharge phenomena and lightning protection.

Sapporo is located in northern Japan. Fresh meat, seafood, vegetables, and fruits from all over Hokkaido come together with good-quality local alcoholic beverages. We are confident that all participants will enjoy both the academic and cultural aspects of their visit.

Why not submit your paper and participate in ICLP 2026 in Sapporo?!
We look forward to seeing you in Sapporo in 31st May - 5th June 2026!

Important Dates

Proposals for special/invited sessions and topical meetings, workshops and tutorials	Sep. 20, 2025
Paper submissions	Oct. 31, 2025
Notification of acceptance	Jan. 30, 2026
Final paper submission	Feb. 27, 2026

Details on the conference websites: <https://iclp2026.org>
Contact: iclp2026@ieiej.or.jp



Technical Topics (tentative)

Lightning physics & phenomenology
 Lightning occurrence characteristics
 Lightning discharge characteristics
 Lightning electromagnetic impulse (LEMP) & lightning-induced effects
 Lightning attachment & shielding against lightning
 Lightning down-conductors & earthing/grounding
 Lightning protection of buildings
 Lightning protection of power systems
 Lightning protection of renewable energy systems
 Lightning protection of smart grids
 Lightning protection of telecommunication systems
 Lightning protection of electronic systems
 Lightning protection of transportation systems
 Lightning deleterious effects
 Lightning experiments for simulation of lightning effects
 Lightning protection & lightning testing standards
 Lightning safety, medicine & education

Paper Submission (tentative)

Authors are requested to submit a full-paper manuscript (not only the abstract!), including title, author's affiliation, abstract, figures, tables and references. The submission must be in the PDF-format. A MS-Word template is available on the conference website. Final papers shall be between **4 and 6 pages** including all kind of materials.

Exhibition

The Technical Exhibition on lightning protection will be the major accompanying event of ICLP 2026. The Technical Exhibition is a must-attend for all major manufacturers and distributors of lightning-related technologies and devices, such as equipment and tools, measurement and test systems, protection devices and components, grounding materials, analysis and estimation software, etc.



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