Call for Contributions

**Note: Onsite and Online Options**
In order to accommodate many situations, we are offering the option for either physical presence or virtual participation. We would be delighted if all authors manage to attend in person, but are aware that special circumstances are best handled by having flexible options.

**Submission:**
1. Inform the Chairs: with the Title of your Contribution
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**Special track**

**TiP: Is Testing in Production Realistic?**

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along with

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In the early days of software testing it was “not done” to test software in a production environment. That was a no-go area. All test or quality measures must be executed before go live. Quality gates were developed to secure that the quality of the software had reached the required level. After a go of the steering committee the software was implemented into production. The last few years this way of working is changing since the development approach is changing. From a classic waterfall to a devops development approach. Due to the integration of development and operations (devops) a mind-shift is taking place. Also, it is not possible to test everything anymore in a test environment due to several reasons. So, it looks like testing in production is more allowed now.

In some areas testing is executed in production for certain requirements or special situations. A lot of reasons can be defined. People do not agree always if it is allowed or necessary to execute tests in a production environment. So, an interesting topic to discuss about.

In this special track session presentations and discussions are invited to discuss together about the pro’s and cons of testing in production, which areas are suitable for this type of testing and which kind of risks must take care off.

**Topics include, but not limited to:**

- Areas of testing in production
- Pros and cons
- Validation techniques
• Business risk
• Validation types

These are only suggestions; we welcome papers discussing other issues related to the manufacturing applications.

**Important Datelines**
*Inform the Chairs (see Contacts below): as soon as you decide to contribute*

Submission: August 24  
Notification: September 13  
Registration: September 23  
Camera-ready: September 23

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