

1. Final Session Title: Social Human-Robot Interaction of Human-care Service Robots

2. Organizers and Contacts:

Min-Gyu Kim: mingyukim@kiro.re.kr

Minsu Jang: minsu@etri.re.kr

Ho Seok Ahn: hs.ahn@auckland.ac.nz

SunKyoung Kim: kimsun@slis.tsukuba.ac.jp

Boyoung Kim: bkim55@gmu.edu

Yoon Kyung Lee: yoonee78@snu.ac.kr

3. Short Description of Aims and Scopes

Service robots with social intelligence are starting to be integrated into our everyday lives. The robots are intended to help improve aspects of quality of life as well as improve efficiency. We are organizing an exciting special session at RO-MAN 2026 that is oriented towards sharing the ideas amongst participants with diverse backgrounds ranging from Human-Robot Interaction design, social intelligence, decision making, social psychology, and robotic social skills. The purpose of this special session is to explore how social robots can interact with humans socially and facilitate the integration of service robots. This special session focuses on three social aspects of human-robot interaction: (1) technical implementation of social robots and robotic products, (2) form, function and behavior, and (3) human behavior and expectations to understand the social aspects of interacting with these robots. This special session is supported by Korea Robotics Society (KROS) which is one of technical sponsors of RO-MAN 2026 (Support letter attached).

4. Additional information

Special session website: <https://socialrobot-kros.github.io/roman2026.html>