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The ACM SIG on Ada deals with the Ada language and a broad span of issues related to its usage, teaching, standardization, and implementation. SIGAda members include practitioners, educators, researchers, and managers from a wide range of organizations in industry, academia, and government. Among the topics that SIGAda addresses are software engineering practice (with a particular focus on object tech.), real-time applications, high-integrity & safety-critical systems, high-integrity and safety-critical systems, software education, and large-scale system development. SIGAda explores these issues through an annual multi-track international conference, special-purpose Working Groups, active local chapters, and its quarterly Ada Letters publication.

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Ada Letters is published four times a year, with the exception of special issues. Submission deadlines for all material are as follows:

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