Writing for Xcell Journal: Frequently Asked Questions

Where and how do I submit my article?
We will accept for review all articles submitted in the approved template and attached in an e-mail sent to the Xcell Publications publisher. We will then send you a response letting you know that we have received your article, along with further instructions.

After I submit my article, what's next?
We will assign an editor to your article, who will work with you as your main contact throughout the editorial process. The editor will edit your article and email it back to you for review. We ask that you review it carefully for technical accuracy, make any corrections directly in the file, and send your revisions back within two business days. The editor will review your changes and send your article to our art director, who will lay out your article into our magazine format. You will have final approval of the article content.

How do I know if my article has been selected?
We will accept for review only those articles submitted in the approved template. Once received, all articles are subject to review by our Technical Review Board. In some cases, we may ask you to make changes to and resubmit your article before beginning the formal editorial process.

What's the publishing schedule for Xcell Journal?
The Xcell Journal is published quarterly in January, April, July, and October. Please request to see the publication schedule for complete editorial, production, and printing dates. Note that there are article submission deadlines for each issue. Some issues have feature sections, where noted.

Instead of submitting the article, can I submit an outline or a draft?
No, please finish your article using the Xilinx template and guidelines.

Can I submit an article that has been previously published elsewhere?
Xilinx owns the copyright to whatever is published in Xcell Journal. (Submitting an article that is run elsewhere raises complicated copyright issues). And, of course, we want our readers to be the first to read articles that have something new to say about the programmable digital design market. Oftentimes, we will give established independent publications permission to run articles that previously appeared in Xcell. These usually include "Courtesy of Xilinx Xcell Journal."

I cannot produce graphics, can you create them for me?
Although our art director does polish all figures and tables published in Xcell, we cannot create graphics from scratch. Please see our Graphics Guidelines.

Can I use my article, upon publication, in promotional materials for my own company?
Yes. However, please acknowledge the source. For example, "Reprinted with permission from Xilinx Xcell." If the reference is online, we would also appreciate, though not required, a link to our website: www.xilinx.com/xcell

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