

29th INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS FOR CONSERVATION BIOLOGY CONSERVATION BEYOND BOUNDARIES: CONNECTING BIODIVERSITY WITH COMMUNITIES, GOVERNMENT, AND STAKEHOLDERS

ICCB 2019 Contributed Session Abstract Submission Guide

Important Information

- **Contributed Session Abstract Submission Deadline:** 11 February 2019, 23:59 CET (UTC/ GMT + 1 hours)
- Submit all contributed session abstracts online:
 - o Oral Presentations
 - o Speed Talk Presentations
 - o Poster Presentations
- Notification to abstract submitters: late-March 2019

Eligibility

Who is eligible to submit a contributed session abstract?

- Anyone may submit a contributed session abstract.
- To ensure that the congress is as diverse as possible, individuals may not submit more than one abstract, and no individual may give more than one presentation in the following categories: symposium, contributed paper, contributed poster.

What types of contributed session abstracts are eligible for submission?

Detailed information on types of contributed session abstracts can be found on the <u>ICCB 2019</u> <u>website</u>.

- Oral Presentations Oral Presentations are limited to 15 minutes: 12 minutes for presentation and 3 minutes for questions. Contributed oral presentations will be grouped by theme/subtheme. Please choose from the list of themes and subthemes and choose the ones that are most appropriate for your presentation. This will assist us in selecting an appropriate session for your presentation. If your abstract is accepted but cannot be accommodated as an oral presentation, we may offer you the opportunity to present a speed presentation or poster.
- Speed Talk Presentations Speed Talk Presentations are 5-minute presentations summarizing research or studies in process in a particular field that are grouped together by theme. Following the presentations, there will be time for presenters to talk one-on-one to delegates about their project. If your paper topic would be of interest to a wide range of people and you would like your presentation to lead to an extended conversation with colleagues who are specifically interested in your work, you may wish to submit an abstract for a speed presentation. Please choose from the list of themes and subthemes and choose



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session for your presentation. If your abstract is accepted but cannot be accommodated as a speed presentation, we may offer you the opportunity to present a poster presentation.

• Poster Presentations – Poster Presentations are a visual and concise way to showcase conservation science and projects that provide opportunities to interact with a wide audience and will take place during one of the four poster sessions.

Information needed for submission (review the online form prior to submission)

- Submitter's contact information
- Abstract Title: Please note the title will appear as it is typed on the ICCB Web site, App, Program, and Abstract book. Please use sentence case.
- Abstract Theme and Sub-themes/Categories
- Presentation Preference: Oral, Speed, or Poster Presentation (Note if you are submitting an abstract for a symposium, select oral presentation)
- Alternate presentation format: If your preferred format cannot be accommodated, would you wish to have your abstract considered for another presentation format?
- For Students only: Select yes and then select whether you are undergraduate, masters or doctoral student. Also indicate if you would like to be considered for the student award competition.
- Symposium abstracts: if your abstract is part of a symposium, select yes and then the title of the symposium.
- Abstract Contract: include text up to 1500 characters
- Social Media Summary

What are the ICCB themes required for contributed session abstract submission?

Submitters must select the theme that most reflects their abstract. Priority will be given to contributed session abstracts that select one of the identified themes but all abstracts will be considered. The High Level Themes (and corresponding Program Tracks) for ICCBs are:

- Connecting the efforts of scientists, academics and practitioners with communities, governments, businesses and other stakeholders
- Maximizing equity, inclusion, and diversity in the field
- Nurturing the next generation of conservation professionals
- Engaging emerging and critical conservation issues
- Transcending boundaries through global networking
- Providing professional development opportunities and closing the skills gap in developing countries
- Utilizing technological innovation and advancements to conserve natural resource
- Making an impact by mobilizing local community participation in conservation efforts



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What are the sub-themes and categories required for a contributed session abstract submission?

Submitters must select at least one and up to three sub-themes and categories. Priority will be given to contributed session abstracts that select from the identified sub-themes and categories but all abstracts will be considered.

Disciplines:

- Behavioral ecology and conservation
- Biogeography
- Citizen science /Public participation in science
- Communications
- Community-driven conservation
- Conservation anthropology
- Conservation genetics
- Conservation geography
- Conservation medicine
- Conservation politics and policy
- Conservation psychology
- Conservation sociology
- Disturbance ecology
- Environmental ethics and justice
- Environmental/Conservation economics
- Evolution and conservation
- Faith-based conservation
- Historical ecology and conservation
- Landscape conservation
- Outreach and education
- Population dynamics
- Restoration Ecology
- Social Science
- Traditional knowledge and conservation **Ecosystems:**
 - Conservation at the land-water interface
 - Desert conservation
 - Disturbance ecology
 - Forest conservation
 - Freshwater conservation
 - Grassland conservation
 - Marine conservation
 - Polar conservation
 - Rangeland conservation

- Savanna conservation
- Sustainable agriculture
- Urban area conservation
- Wetland conservation

Issues:

- Alien and invasive species
- Biological pollution (sewage, nutrients etc.)
- Chemical pollution Energy pollution (noise, light, thermal pollution etc.)
- Climate change ocean acidification
- Conservation in hotspots
- Ecosystem functions and services
- Human-wildlife conflict
- Wildlife trade
- Habitat degradation and fragmentation
- Overexploitation of natural resources
- Plastics and debris pollution

Methods:

- Adaptive management and monitoring
- Advocacy and engagement
- Conservation capacity building
- Conservation GIS
- Conservation modeling
- Conservation on private lands
- Ecological restoration and reconstruction
- Ecosystem / conservation area management
- Inventory and monitoring
- Land use planning for conservation
- Population viability analysis
- Protected area planning and design
- Recovery of endangered species
- Risk assessment and uncertainty
- Scientists, stakeholders, and managers: bridging the gap
- Spatial Ecology and Conservation
- Use of traditional ecological knowledge in conservation design and planning



Abstract Submission Instructions/Guidelines

Contributed Session Abstract Character Limit

- Title: maximum 150 characters
- Abstract Content: minimum 100 characters and 1,500 characters, which EXCLUDES the title, names of presenters, presenters' affiliations and contact information.
- Social Media Summary: maximum 140 characters

Contributed Session Abstract Title

- Take special care when entering your title, as it will be published exactly as it is submitted.
- Titles should be in sentence case.
- Titles should be brief, clearly indicating the nature of the presentation.
- Title character limit is 150 characters.
- Titles DO not count toward the description character limit.
- Include only commonly used acronyms in the abstract title.
- Do not include a trial group name or acronym in the abstract title.

Withdrawals

- All requests for withdrawal can only be made by the abstract submitter and must be done via email to: ICCBteam@conbio.org.
- Removal of a withdrawn abstract from the program schedule cannot be guaranteed if the request is received after 30 April 2019.

Contributed Session Abstract Review and Notification

Contributed Session Abstract Review

- After the abstract submission deadline, completed abstracts will be peer reviewed.
- Incomplete abstracts cannot be processed and will not be reviewed.
- To ensure the integrity of the review process, revisions will not be accepted after the submission deadline no exceptions.

Contributed Session Abstract Acceptance/Rejection Notifications

- SCB will notify the abstract submitter of the status of their abstract in late-.
- It is the abstract submitter's responsibility to then notify all co-authors.
- IMPORTANT: The abstract submitter is the sole point of contact for all co-authors. SCB will direct all co-author inquiries to the contributed session abstract submitter.



Need Help?

If you have any questions, related to the contributed session abstract submission process or ICCB, please contact <u>ICCBteam@conbio.org</u> and your message will be route to the appropriate person. If you have technical issues with the submission site, please contact MCI Amsterdam at <u>iccb-abstracts@mci-group.com</u> or + 31 20 575 42 20. Office opening hours are Monday to Friday from 9:00 to 18:00 Amsterdam local time (CET).