Call for abstracts

We are pleased to open the call for papers for the joint NZGS/IAG conference for 2018. We welcome all submissions that address the conference themes or other contemporary geographical debates and concerns. The Academic Programme Committee will review all submissions and accept those that comply with word count and format requirements for abstracts and meet accepted IAG/NZGS standards of appropriateness and scholarly merit.

Presentations

Presentations will be scheduled for 15 minutes with up to 5 minutes question time, depending on the logistics of programme schedules. Presentations may be part of pre-organised special sessions or, if submitted to the Open Program, part of sessions configured by the conference Academic Programme Committee. Where delegates submitting papers indicate a desire to join organised sessions, the Academic Programme Committee will endeavour to make this happen in liaison with session organisers, but this cannot be guaranteed. The Academic Programme Committee reserves the right to alter the time allotted to presentations and sessions in relation to logistical constraints and opportunities. Please select 'Oral' as the presentation type.

One presentation rule

Delegates may normally submit only ONE abstract as the presenting author, but may participate on panels or in sessions organised in different formats (such as speed talks or round-table discussions). An individual may not normally make more than two substantive contributions to the conference programme (paper presenter, panel member, discussant, etc.). No official limit is placed on the number of times an individual can be chair of a session, but the conference organisers may not always be able to schedule sessions to prevent timetable conflicts.

Session Panel

Panellist in a closed session organised by the session convenor. Please select 'Session Panel' as the presentation type.

Organised sessions

The Academic Programme Committee have reviewed and accepted all listed session proposals. It will endeavour to ensure that all sessions go ahead as planned and liaise with session convenors to finalise sessions as abstracts arrive. A full list of sessions and session abstracts available on the conference website 'call for submissions' page.

Open Program

The Open Program category is open to any abstract on any topic.

Abstract submission and template (Please use Arial 12 point font)

When submitting an abstract you will be required to provide the following information:

- Abstract title: a brief, interesting and explicit description of the presentation (<15 words)
- Desired session (please stipulate 'Open programme' if none):
- Indicate whether in correspondence with session organiser: YES/NO
- Name and address of corresponding author:
- Identification where the presentation is given by a student
- Authors' names (lead author is expected to present the material) and affiliations
- Abstract (max. length 150 words)

Early submission of abstracts is recommended. A last minute rush has been known to crash the system, so submit your abstract well before the closing date of <u>Friday April 27</u> in order to avoid frustration.

Once you are accepted to present at the conference you are required to register and pay to attend by <u>Friday 5 May 2018</u> to avoid being removed from the programme.

Abstract notification

Letters notifying the outcome of the review process will be dispatched in the third week of April.

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