

Terms of Reference for Scientific Committee Members:

Scientific Committee members of the conference are expected to play an active role in the preparation of World Social Science Forum 2018 conference programme – from the initial planning stage through to finalizing the programme content. The members represent different geographical regions and different areas of expertise within the themes and sub themes. Scientific Committee members are expected to provide high quality advice and guidance that ensures scholarly excellence and ensures the consideration of the breath of the social sciences. Your participation on the committee will include:

Providing input to the respective panels and tracks in developing the content of the programme,

- Reviewing abstracts submitted to the conference
- Identifying abstract-driven session chairpersons
- Being available to chair sessions if needed
- Participating in late breaker and back-up abstract reviewing
- Advising on plenary speakers
- Advising on any gaps in the WSS Forum programme
- Promoting the conference among your networks.

Preparations for the conference are expected to require a moderate time commitment from committee members. The exact time commitment is difficult to estimate, as it varies over the months. Most work will be done via email with some teleconferences as needed. The number of abstracts for each reviewer will be limited and the process will be entirely web based. Abstract turnaround will need to be rapid and you should receive full notification and instructions. Please note that this is a voluntary position and that the committee members are neither paid nor compensated.