



World Social Science Forum 2018 Security and Equality for Sustainable Futures

The 2018 World Social Science Forum will take place in Fukuoka, Japan, from 25 to 28 September 2018. The theme of WSSF 2018 is “Security and Equality for Sustainable Futures”. The series of WSS Fora is one of the most prestigious scientific activities of the international Social Science Council (ISSC). At a recent joint meeting, the Members of the ISSC and of the International Council for Science (ICSU) decided to merge and form the International Science Council, a new, merged organisation that aims to speak for the social and natural sciences at the global level.

Call for individual papers

A Call for sessions closed on 30 September 2017. The 2018 World Social Science Forum now invites authors to submit individual abstracts for participation in Specific Panels or Topical Sessions, and for posters. Please note that it is no longer possible to submit proposals of sessions.

Specific Panels

Following the Call for sessions, certain panels are looking for one or more participants. The list of panels and associated abstracts open for additional speakers can be found under [Parallel Sessions II \(Open for Papers\)](#). Depending on the number of speakers in a particular session, presenters are expected to talk for about 15 and no more than 20 minutes. You can apply for up to two specific panel sessions.

- ❖ We are also inviting abstracts on Subtheme 2: Cybersecurity, cyber-attacks, and hybrid warfare.

Topical Sessions

Topical Sessions involve four to five presenters, each providing an initial input of a maximum of 10 minutes, followed by a discussion between the presenters and the audience. Topical Sessions are expected to be interactive and engaging. The list of [Topical Sessions](#) indicates the topics for which individual abstracts are welcomed. Proposals of abstracts on other topics will not be considered.

Poster Presentation

Poster proposals are invited on the various [Forum subthemes](#). Accepted posters will be displayed prominently in the venue. The programme will allocate time for authors to present their poster and interact directly with the participants.

Submission Deadline / Selection / Notification of acceptance

Deadline: 1 March 2018

Selection: The Session Chair will review and choose the best paper(s) for their session. The Scientific Program Committee (SPC) will then review the chosen abstracts. The SPC will review all Poster and Topic Presentations.

Notification: Accepted applicants will be notified from 15 May 2018.



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Submission Guidelines

Submit a paper

1. Registration

Click the “Submit a paper” button and register with your personal information.

2. Abstract Submission

a. Indicate which presentation you are applying for:

- **Oral Presentation**: indicate which sessions your abstract pertains to.
- **Topic Presentation**: indicate the topic your abstract pertains to.
- **Poster presentation**: choose a Forum subtheme only.

b. Input the paper Title and attach the abstract.

Abstract Format*

Author’s name(s), affiliation(s), paper title, abstract

Abstract should be a maximum of 200 words in English.

You may list up to three keywords, separated by commas.

Notes and Requests from the SPC

- Each participant is limited to one oral or one poster presentation.
- Accepted abstract authors must pay the registration fee by **5 June 2018** in order to be included in the program.
- Participants are expected to pay for their own participation. Some authors may be eligible to apply for the Scholarship Fund for presenters from economically disadvantaged countries or the Student Award. The details of the two programs will be announced on the website shortly.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 1 March, 2018 Deadline for paper submission
- 1 March, 2018 Registration opens
- 15~20 May, 2018 Paper decisions notified
- **5 June, 2018** **Deadline for abstract author’s registration and payment**
- 15 June, 2018 (Tentative) Program announced