

Guidelines for Thematic Sessions

The Thematic Sessions provide an interactive and focused platform for presenting and discussing emerging ideas. Paper presentations can be delivered in various formats, including oral and poster presentations.

Submission, Review, Acceptance, and Registration

- The Session Chairs must ensure that the session has at least 4 registered, paying participants. If this requirement is not met, the session will be merged into the general conference program.
- All non-scientific aspects of the session, including paper submission, registration, publication, and logistics, will be managed by the conference organizers.
- Paper submission follows the same guidelines as the general conference, available on the conference website. Session Chairs will have ongoing access to the list of submitted papers.
- All deadlines, including for paper submission, author notification, camera-ready submission, and registration, are the same as for the general conference.
- The Session Chairs are tasked with promoting the session to relevant research groups and within their professional networks.
- The Session Chairs are responsible for forming a high-quality program committee to ensure thorough and fair reviews. They must also oversee the review process for papers submitted to their session, ensuring each paper receives at least two reviews.
- The Session Chairs are responsible for overseeing the review process and ensuring the success of the session, even in the event of its cancellation.
- The Session Chair must communicate the results of the review process, along with their acceptance decisions, to the conference secretariat at least two days before the notification deadline.
- The review decision will be communicated to the authors by the conference organizers.
- Each accepted paper must be registered and presented at the conference.

Financial Support

- If the session receives at least 4 paid registrations, one of the Session Chairs will be granted a waiver for their basic registration fee, which will also cover the publication of one paper in the session or the conference. Any additional papers authored by the Session Chair will require separate registration.
- If the session secures at least 8 paid registrations, the conference organizing committee will provide financial support to cover the accommodation for one

of the Session Chairs for the duration of the conference (3 days) at the designated conference hotel.

- If the session receives at least 12 paid registrations, the conference organizing committee will provide financial support to cover the travel expenses for one of the Session Chairs.
- The total amount for accommodation and travel expenses will not exceed € 600.