

Guidelines for Thematic Sessions

Thematic Sessions are intended to offer a focused, interactive platform for the presentation and discussion of new and emerging ideas. Presentation formats include both oral and poster sessions.

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 expected to promote the session to relevant research groups and within their professional networks
- They 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.
- Coordinating the review process and ensuring the success of the session, even in the event of its cancellation, is part of the session chair's role.
- Final review results and acceptance decisions must be submitted to the conference secretariat no later than 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, the Session Chairs will be granted a waiver for the early registration fee. This waiver 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 10 paid registrations, the conference organizing committee will provide financial support to cover the Session Chair's accommodation for the duration of the conference (4 days) at the designated conference hotel.
- If the session receives at least 14 paid registrations, the conference organizing committee will provide financial support to cover the Session Chair's travel expenses. The total amount for accommodation and travel expenses will not exceed € 600.