

Flourishing Lives Supportive communities and sustainable development

Terms and conditions for Call for workshop speakers

Selection Guidelines

We would like to invite all those engaged in the service provision arena from NGOs, policy makers, government agencies, recipients of support services, academics and researchers to share their knowledge, skills and expertise on a range of themes intended to promote the model and best practice in community-based support and sustainable development to be presented during one of the workshops of the conference “Flourishing Lives - Supportive communities and sustainable development”.

The purpose of the workshops is to present information and innovative approaches on community-based support and sustainable development.

The conference organisers will endeavour to make workshop timeslots available to a wide range of delegates. Prospective speakers should view this as an opportunity to present **new knowledge, experiences and information and an opportunity to challenge delegates views. Call for Workshop speakers should not be an overview of projects or organisations.**

Persons with disabilities and/or support needs are particularly welcome to send their contribution.

Cross Cutting Themes for workshops

- Best practice in service provision
- Data collection/research
- Pan-Disability (i.e. physical, learning, mental health, sensory and hidden disability)
- Quality Assurance and monitoring systems
- Individualised approach

Specific themes for workshops

Theme 1 – Sustainable development

- Valorisation of territory and use of permaculture to promote inclusion of persons with support needs
- Inclusive/holistic practices
- Stakeholder cooperation

Theme 2 – Person centred technology

- Assistive Technology

- New developments in Information and Communication Technology
- Improvements of quality of life through person-centred technology

Theme 3 – Change management

- Change in Political thinking/models and managing change
- New developments and approaches (co-design and co-production) in community-based planning
- Funding Strategies

Theme 4 - Inclusive support for persons with autism

- Support services contributing to the inclusion of persons with autism
- Inclusion in mainstream environments

Theme 5 – Sustainable development goals and person-centred planning

- Ecological approaches and person centred planning
- Sustainable development agenda

Theme 6: Other areas

- Co-production and structural service user participation
- Self-empowerment and advocacy
- Leadership and Change Management
- Accreditation – Staff Training & Development

Selection criteria

The following presentation selection criteria will be applied to all submissions:

- Relevance of your abstract to the conference themes
- Experience of the presenter(s) to deliver to large audiences
- Clarity of presentation
- Maximum representation of global member states where possible

PLEASE NOTE ALL ABSTRACTS MUST BE TYPED AND BE PRESENTED IN ENGLISH.

How to Submit your proposal

To submit an abstract please complete the **Submission Form** for the Call for Workshop-speakers [available here](#) and send it to sabrina.ferraina@easpd.eu by **31 August 2017**. No submissions will be accepted after this date.

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- The Selection Committee decision will be final when choosing which applications will be included in the conference.
- **All presentations must be in English or Montenegrin.**
- All submitted abstracts will be acknowledged within 10 working days of receipt.
- All papers must be submitted in English and sent to sabrina.ferraina@easpd.eu by **31 August 2017**.
- All prospective speakers will be notified **by 15 September 2017**.
- Any confirmed speaker who cancels their participation or fails to appear at the conference or arranges for a substitute to present the announced model will jeopardize the right to present at future conferences (unless exceptional circumstances prevail).
- The Speaker agrees to submit his/her biography and photograph to the Conference Secretariat to be included in the Conference information. This must be submitted **by 30 September 2017**, to be included in the conference information.
- All speakers who are selected should register for the conference in due time.
- **Selected speakers will be entitled to participate for free to the conference and this will be applicable to maximum 1 speaker per organisation.** Hotel accommodation and travel costs are the responsibility of all accepted speakers.
- These terms and conditions are accepted and binding by each workshop-speaker who is confirmed as a participant in the official programme.
- The organizers retain the right to adjust or modify these terms and conditions at any time according to the circumstances applicable to the final programme.

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