

A&WMA ACE 2027 Presentation Options and Submission Formats

Presentation Options

Platform Presentation – A Platform Presentation will be included in a Platform Session with other authors presenting on a similar or related topic. The presentation is assigned to an appropriate Platform Session by the Technical Program organizers, and each presenter is given 15-20 minutes to orally present their work, findings, or case study to the audience, typically with accompanying PowerPoint slides. Platform presenters are required to present in person for ACE 2027. Presenters may request a specific session if invited by a Session Chair. Platform presenters are required to submit a draft full-length paper manuscript, extended abstract, or PowerPoint presentation, which will receive a detailed review in accordance with A&WMA guidelines.

Panel Session – This includes shorter presentations and moderated discussion in a Panel Session (typically 100-120 minutes long, with at least three and up to five panelists from a variety of organizations), requiring the Panel Chair to submit an initial abstract for review and acceptance. The initial abstract shall state the Panel's title, purpose, content, and expected outcome. If the Panel is accepted, the Panel Chair will submit a more detailed Panel Synopsis describing the Panel details and with a list of confirmed panelists. The Panel Synopsis is due before the technical program is published. The Panel Chair is responsible for determining the format of the presentations, recruiting panelists, allocating time among panelists, and ensuring that speakers' final presentation slides and permissions are submitted for combining into a Panel document, to be published in the proceedings. A cover slide summarizing the Panel presentations/discussions may be prepared as an introduction to the Panel document. Panel Chairs and panelists are required to present in person for ACE 2027.

Poster Display – Poster (Technical and Student) presenters are required to create posters for display during ACE 2027 and are required to be available in person during the Poster session in person to discuss their work, findings, or case study and answer questions from session attendees. Poster presenters in this category are required to submit a manuscript (i.e., poster pages) summarizing the contents of the work presented in the poster session, which will receive a less detailed content review for inclusion in the Proceedings.

NOTE: Primary authors wishing to be included in the Young Professional (YP) Best Paper award program must select a full-length paper or extended abstract presentation option that requires a detailed review.

Submission Formats

Manuscript – A term used in this guideline to broadly refer to any submitted document associated with a presentation, which details the contents of the presentation at ACE and includes one of the following acceptable types of submissions: full-length paper, extended abstract, PowerPoint slides, or panel synopsis. Each form of submittal will be reviewed, and comments will be provided to the primary author.

Full-Length Paper – This is a technical paper that details all information on the topic to be presented as part of a platform or poster session and is usually 7-16 pages in length.

Extended Abstract – This summarizes the topic to be presented in 4-6 pages.

PowerPoint-Only Presentation – PowerPoint presentation to be given as part of a platform session; typically, 10-20 slides.

Panel Synopsis – A narrative description, 150 words maximum in length, with sufficient details of the scope and topic(s) to be covered in the panel, along with the names and affiliations of the Session Chair, Session Co-Chair, and Panelists, which will be included in the ACE final printed program. This synopsis will be reviewed for content, completeness, and conciseness.

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