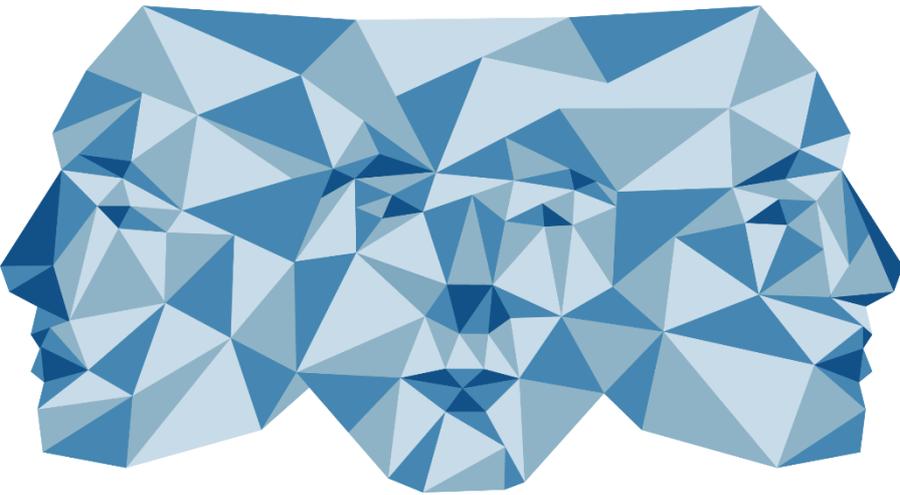




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The Many Faces of Human Factors and Ergonomics

Perth

26 - 28 November 2018

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Call for Abstracts

Conference Program

The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society of Australia (HFESA) is pleased to invite you to submit an abstract for our 2018 conference on 26-28 November 2018 at the Pan Pacific in Perth, Western Australia.█

HFESA conferences are attended by a diverse range of professionals, including Certified Professional Ergonomists, academics, and practitioners, who work in a variety of areas including, for example, healthcare, transport, mining, and defence. We are developing a rich and diverse program for this year, and would love you to be part of it.



This year's conference theme is "**The Many Faces of Human Factors and Ergonomics**" to showcase the multi-faceted work we do as students, practitioners, and/or researchers. You have the opportunity to highlight your work across a variety of workplaces or environments; in your field(s) of specialisation; using specific approaches or technologies. We hope the conference demonstrates the commonalities *and* diversity among the work of human factors and ergonomics professionals.

Researchers, practitioners and students are invited to submit their work in one of the following categories:

- Oral presentation
- Workshop
- Symposium
- Demonstration
- Poster presentation
- 3-minute thesis (for research students only)

Please see the following link for more information:

<https://www.ergonomics.org.au/events/category/submit-an-abstract>

You will be asked during the submission process to select the topic area of your submission (e.g., healthcare, transport safety, defence, workplace safety, design, etc.).

Note that it is possible that submissions may not be accepted for the preferred presentation type (e.g. some oral presentation submissions may be accepted as poster presentations).

The scientific co-chairs, Marina Ciccarelli and Ari Antonovsky, will coordinate the blind –review of the submissions by two reviewers for each submission, and will advise presenters on the outcome of their submission.

Information on Submission categories

Oral presentation: Oral presentations will be limited to 15 minutes of presentation followed by 5 minutes of questions, and should present original findings and contributions to the field. Note that oral presentations will not be restricted to research submissions - practitioners are also encouraged to submit case studies here. Works in progress will also be considered.

Workshop: Workshops are designed to be based around activities and/or demonstrations, and

submissions will need to outline what participants will learn from the session as well as what participants will do in the session (i.e. specify the types of activities or strategies that will be employed). Workshops typically involve handouts or other relevant take-home material. After acceptance of the proposal by the scientific committee, the conference convenors will work with workshop presenters to ensure adequate AV or other equipment is available, as well as printing or delivery of workshop materials if necessary. Workshop proposals can be for 2 or 4-hour durations.

Symposia: A symposium consists of a collection of related papers which have been drawn together by a symposium chair. The symposium chair is responsible for curating the papers (maximum 4) and preparing the submission. If the symposium is not accepted (e.g. due to time constraints), papers will be considered for inclusion as individual oral submissions. Papers in a symposia should ideally be drawn from a range of researchers or practitioners from diverse areas or backgrounds.

Symposia that focus on methodological issues across different fields or domains are particularly encouraged (for example, the issue of inter-rater reliability across healthcare human factors and human error in transport systems; or the use of particular error classification models by different research groups working in road safety, sports safety and workplace safety).

Demonstration: Demonstrations are hands-on presentations of methods, use of equipment, tools, or technologies, but is mostly didactic in nature (i.e. the audience have limited hands-on interaction). Demonstrations may be for 1 hour durations. Submission must outline the scope of the demonstration. After acceptance of the proposal by the scientific committee, the conference convenors will work with demonstrators to ensure adequate AV and space is available for the demonstration.

Poster presentation: Details of maximum size of posters will be advised prior to conference registration. As a guide we suggest AO portrait size 120cm (h) x 840 (w). Posters will likely be displayed in social or networking areas at the conference venue. Posters should include a photo of the presenting author on or near your poster, so conference delegates know who to come and talk to about your work!

3-minute thesis: This type of submission is ideal for honours, masters, or doctoral students undertaking a research project. Presenters will have 3 minutes and one (1) slide to brief the audience on the most significant aspects of their work to date during a special session at the conference.

How to make a submission

Submissions will be made online via <https://app.oxfordabstracts.com/stages/500/submission>

Other important information

Key dates

Submission deadline: **Monday 30 April 2018**

Advice on acceptance of submissions: **Thursday 31 May 2018**

Submission of revised abstract (if necessary): **Friday 15 June 2018**

Draft program available: **Sunday 15 July 2018**

Early-bird registration: **Tuesday 31 July 2018**

Presenter registration deadline: **Tuesday 31 July 2018**

Conference date: **26-28 November 2018**

Registration

Please note that all presenters (including symposium presenters) will need to register for the conference by the presenter registration date.

Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Special Interest Groups are encouraged to identify a topic for a symposium or workshop, and a relevant symposium chair, or workshop facilitator. During the submission of a symposium or workshop, you will be required to indicate whether the session has been organised by a SIG.

Abstracts

Structured abstracts are required and must be a maximum of 400 words. Abstracts must include:

- The issues addressed in your work
- Aim(s) and/or objective(s)
- Methods used
- Results or key findings
- Discussion of implications and conclusion.

- We suggest you develop, edit and save a copy of your abstract in document on your own computer, rather than just typing it into the submission box.
- People submitting a symposium, should include details the *symposium abstract* in the free-text abstract submission box, and include the presentation names and the names of the authors for each individual submission in the symposium. Abstracts of individual submissions should then be uploaded to the system, selecting Symposia as the submission type.
- Full papers will not be required for any type of submission.

Oral, Poster and 3 minute thesis abstracts: These abstracts should include some background information that helps justify your study, and clearly outlines the aims. They should include details of the methods you employed to gather and analyse the data, followed by the results of your analyses and a discussion of the results and their implications.

Symposium abstracts: These abstracts should provide an overview of the symposium topic, and the four papers that are to be included in the symposium. They should help justify why the symposium is

important and how the symposium papers relate to one another. In addition, an abstract for each of the four papers in the symposium is required (in total, five abstracts: one for each paper, and one for the symposium itself). The abstracts for the four papers should adhere to the guidelines for oral submissions above. Symposium submissions should upload a (.doc) file containing all abstracts.

Workshop abstracts: Workshop abstracts should provide some background information on the topic of the workshop, and include information about what the attendees will learn, what activities will be used in the workshop, and what materials attendees will be able to take with them (e.g. handouts; reference material).

Not sure how to get involved?

Our society is full of people doing really interesting and important work, and we want to help find ways for everyone else to hear about it.

We know that sometimes it can be difficult to find time for submitting abstracts, or to know what to submit. So here are a few ideas for how to get involved if you're not sure:

Partner up. Talk to your colleagues or industry partners about taking the opportunity to disseminate your work as a poster presentation or workshop. Bring your industry partners along!

Talk to your SIG. If you're a member of one of HFESA's Special Interest Groups, find out if the group is intending to organise a workshop or symposium, and see if you can contribute in some way, even if it is just to help them find a topic.

Talk to a previous HFESA conference presenter. They might be able to help you understand what's expected and how to best present parts of your work.

Contact us

Questions regarding the HFESA 2018 scientific program should be directed to:
scientificconvenor@hfesaconference.org.au

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