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Author guidelines – extended abstracts

The review process

In an effort to assist authors and reviewers and to create a more transparent review process the following guidelines are provided.

The review process is intended as a process that enables the authors to improve their submissions and to meet the requirements of the conference. The review process of extended abstracts (1000-1500 words) is an important step towards ensuring and improving the quality of the papers presented at the conference. The extended abstracts will undergo a double blind review, and the authors will receive feedback on how the research can be improved before submission of full paper.

Submission criteria

Authors should ensure when submitting an extended abstract that they address all of the criteria listed below, which are appropriate for their abstract. Reviewers will pay attention to these criteria when assessing abstracts.

1. Theme of the conference
2. Theoretical background and relevance
3. Research objective, problem and hypotheses
4. Methodology – data collection and data analysis
5. Expected contribution

The conference each year has an overall **theme** and several thematic session tracks. In structuring an abstract authors need to ensure that their abstract fits the theme of the

conference and is suitable for one of the identified session tracks. A high-quality abstract might be rejected if it is outside the scope and the theme for the conference.

The **theoretical background** should draw on literature that is relevant to studies of continuous innovation and adjacent fields. References to theory should be clear and explicit, and allow for a clear positioning of the contribution of the paper.

The **research objectives, problem or hypotheses** should be clearly stated. You should be very explicit in saying what the paper aims to achieve.

Your **methodology** must describe the methods you have used in the research, and provide information about the data collection, the analytical techniques and the variables used.

The abstract should clearly point out the **expected contribution** of the research to continuous innovation theory and practice.