

## **CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS**

The INSA Conference is an international, interdisciplinary event. It brings together practitioners, researchers, academics, educators, managers, advocates, and other stakeholders from many fields. These include – but are not limited to – advocacy, counselling, education, juvenile justice, psychiatry, psychology, policy, social work, and sociology. The theme for 2022 is 'Making Waves to Advance School Attendance'. There are many opportunities to share your work, experience, and ideas with other delegates. We welcome submissions for the following:

#### **Oral Presentations**

Oral Presentations are individual presentations of approximately 15 to 20 minutes (length will be influenced by the overall number of submissions). These are concise, stimulating presentations which showcase contemporary research or innovation in knowledge or practice.

#### **Symposia**

A Symposium is a collection of three or four oral presentations delivered around a specific topic or theme, within the space on 1.5 hours. We encourage you to develop a Symposium which includes presenters from different countries and career levels.

#### **Round Table Discussions**

Round Table Discussions are a popular and important part of the INSA Conference. A small group of 8 to 12 delegates participate in an informal exchange of ideas around a topic relevant to school attendance. The topic is proposed prior to the Conference by one or two people. During the Round Table Discussion, these people present ideas or questions and invite others to participate. They stimulate discussion and are an equal participant rather than an authority. Round Table Discussions are 1.5 hours in length.

#### Workshops

Workshops are new to the 2022 Conference. Like Round Table Discussions, they provide an opportunity for extended discussion around a specific topic. Different to Round Table Discussions, the Workshop facilitator prepares content and activities to steer the process. Examples include – but are not limited to – sharing the details of an intervention manual, developing ideas for a special issue of a journal, facilitating exchange about national policy for attendance, and describing the collaboration between education and mental health. Workshops are 2.5 hours in length.

### The Marketplace for Practice and Research

The Marketplace is also new to this year's Conference. At the Marketplace, delegates share their work via a poster presentation, an audio-visual presentation, the provision of brochures or merchandise, etc. Poster presentations and audio-visual presentations provide an opportunity to present research findings or initiatives in practice. Audio-visual presentations make use of video material via the presenter's laptop or a projector and screen (e.g., an animation to help families understand school attendance problems). The Marketplace will be open for a specified time during the Conference; presenters will be invited to be in attendance at the Marketplace for part of that time. Presenting in the Marketplace is free for not-for-profit organisations; commercial organisations are invited to contact insaconference2022@congres4u.nl about presenting in the Marketplace.

# **SUBMITTING YOUR ABSTRACT**

You are welcome to submit more than one Abstract (i.e., proposal). Abstracts for all types of contributions are between 200 and 250 words, prepared in English.

- Extra information about Symposia. Provide an Abstract for each Presentation in the Symposium *plus* an overarching Abstract which describes the importance of the Symposium. Indicate the length of each presentation and the amount of time for Questions after the collection of Presentations.
- Extra information about Workshops. Include the learning objectives and the process (e.g., group discussion, activities, role-play, presentation).

Please submit your Abstract before 17:00 on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (Central European Time). Abstracts are submitted via the menu < Submit Your Abstract Here > in the Conference website. You will be asked to provide the following information:

- 1. For each person named in the proposal
  - o Title, Full Name
  - Country, Organisation
  - Role / profession, and type of work setting
  - Email (authors and co-authors are informed about the submission)
- 2. The name of the person(s) who will be presenting
- 3. Type of contribution
- 4. Title of contribution
- 5. Target audience (the groups of professionals who will benefit most)
- 6. Abstract (200-250 words)
- 7. Description of how the proposed submission links with the Conference theme 'Making Waves to Advance School Attendance' (50 words)
- 8. Anticipated outcomes for other delegates (50 words)
- 9. Audio-visual requirements

Contributors whose Abstracts are accepted are expected to register for the Conference and attend in person, rather than via streaming.

### **REVIEW PROCESS**

Abstracts will be reviewed by a panel assembled by the Scientific Program Team. Each submission is independently reviewed and scored by two members of the panel. Review is not blinded, but members of the review panel are asked to recuse themselves if there is a potential conflict of interest. The decision to accept or reject a submission is based on: (a) reviewers' ratings of the relevance of the proposed contribution according to the Conference theme, and the quality and clarity of the Abstract; and (b) effort to ensure diversity of contributors and topics. Those submitting an Abstract will be notified of the panel's decision via email by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Early Bird registration for the Conference is open until May 31<sup>st</sup>. Accepted proposals will be scheduled at an appropriate point during the three-day Conference, by the Scientific Program Team.

# **QUESTIONS?**

If you have questions about preparation or submission of an Abstract, feel free to contact the Chairperson for the 2022 Scientific Program Team: Dr Jo Magne Ingul (jo.m.ingul@ntnu.no), Norway.

