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Poster presentations – Recommendations

Recommendations by the
Programme and Science Committee (PSC)

Thank you for agreeing to make a presentation at the EMS&ECAC 2016
in Trieste.

PROGRAMME AND SCIENCE COMMITTEE

Poster Presentations

In the following you will find recommendations related to

... Before you start,
... Preparing the poster,
... Oral summaries of posters

and the announcement of the Outstanding Poster Award.

Before you start ...

Consider the following questions:

- **What is the goal of your poster presentation?**
...present new results, present open questions, new issues, instigate new research, collaboration, ...
- **What is the background of people reading the poster?**
- **What are the interests of people reading the poster?**

Preparing the poster

- **Structure your presentation**
 - Suggested structure: Title – authors' names and affiliation – objective – method – results – discussion and conclusion.
 - Balance the space dedicated to each of these parts, do not use more space for introductory explanations than for methods or results.
 - Place the title prominently at the top of the poster and provide contact details. The title should be catching and short.
 - Use visual tools to clearly mark different parts of the poster: labels for different elements like 1, 2, 3 or A, B, C may help the viewer to follow your display.
- **Concentrate on the core message**
- **Have clear statements and concise conclusions that grab the reader's attention.**
- **Use well readable fonts and font size, and legible and self-explanatory diagrams**
 - Recommended minimal font size for an A0-poster is 30 points for text and 60 points for the title.
 - Simplify graphs, use legends.

1-minute espressi talks (oral poster introductions)

- We recommend authors of poster presentations are prepared to provide a summary (1-2 min/1–2 slides) of their contribution during the respective oral session.
- For most sessions time for such 1-minute talks is foreseen either during the oral programme or at the start of the poster session; please check the programme of your session on the website, in the ems2016 or in the programme book for details.
- You may also be asked ad hoc by the session chair for a summary presentation in case a gap should occur in the oral programme.
- You may want to bring A4-print-outs of the poster and attach them to the poster board; interested viewers can then take one along and do have your contact details.

For size of the poster boards and further technical details please consult:

http://www.ems2016.eu/guidelines/author_guidelines_poster.html.

Outstanding Poster Award:

The EMS announces an Outstanding Poster Award to highlight high quality poster presentations at the EMS Annual Meetings. All posters on display will be screened; thus the Select Committee asks you to put up your poster as early as possible and have it on display during the entire scheduled display time. More information on the Award: http://www.ems2016.eu/outstanding_poster_award.html

Also see the EMS Website for Best Practice in poster presentations that highlights posters that have won the poster award in the past:

<http://www.emetsoc.org/resources/best-practice/poster-presentations>