



EFFoST2024 Abstract Submission Guidelines

Call for Abstracts is now open!

Abstract submissions are welcome for consideration for the 38th EFFoST International Conference, which will be held in Bruges, Belgium, on November 12-14, 2024.

Important Dates:

1 March	Call for Abstracts Opens
30 April	Abstract Submission Deadline
17 July	Notification of Review Outcome
4 September	Deadline for accepted authors to register and confirm attendance
September	Complete Programme Available Online

What are we looking for?

Considering the quintuple innovation helix framework, which involves university-industry-public-environment-government interactions, EFFoST2024 wants to promote interdisciplinary collaboration within the food sector. The conference strives to contribute to the overarching objective of generating sufficient, safe, nutritious and sustainable food with high consumer acceptance, for all individuals worldwide in line with the 'one health' concept as defined by the World Health Organization (WHO).

We would like to invite you to submit an abstract that contributes to the conference sub-themes and topics defined below.

Conference Theme

The overall theme of the EFFoST2024 Conference is '**Future Food Systems: Innovation through Progress at Scientific Interfaces**'.

Abstracts are welcome in any of the following topics that are clustered by corresponding conference subthemes:

Sub-theme 1: Human interface

- 1.1 Food –nutrition–health
- 1.2 Food for target groups
- 1.3 Simulation of food human interactions (in vivo, in vitro, in silico)
- 1.4 Sensory & consumer science
- 1.5 Food allergens & contaminants



Sub-theme 2: Raw material interface

- 2.1 New food processing strategies
- 2.2 Innovative food sources
- 2.3 Food (ingredient) interactions
- 2.4 From farm to factory

Sub-theme 3: Micro-organism interface

- 3.1 Predictive power of the food microbiome
- 3.2 Food fermentations
- 3.3 Microbial safety & spoilage
- 3.4 Hygienic design

Sub-theme 4: Sustainability interface

- 4.1 Water & energy use
- 4.2 Food packaging
- 4.3 Reducing food loss & waste
- 4.4 Side-stream valorization

Sub-theme 5: Computer science interface

- 5.1 Sensors
- 5.2 Modelling, simulation and prediction
- 5.3 Foodomics, big data and AI

Submission Process

The abstract submission process for EFFoST2024 will be through the [online abstract submission portal](#).

Important information on the submission process:

The Presenting Author must submit the abstract and is required to be the corresponding author for that abstract.

1. You do not need to register for the conference in order to submit the abstract.
2. All abstracts must be received by the submission deadline 30 April to be included in the review.
3. Accepted abstract presenters must register by 4 September.
4. Abstracts must be submitted in English.
5. Abstracts that have been previously published or presented should not be submitted to EFFoST2024.



Submission Guidelines

It is ESSENTIAL that you read the guidelines below before you submit. Abstracts that do not adhere to the guidelines will not be reviewed.

Who submits the abstract?

The Presenting Author must submit the abstract and will act as the main point of contact for the abstract with organisers.

When you enter the online submission portal, start by creating an account. Please keep a record of the account details you use to set up the account as you will require them to log into both the EFFoST2024 abstract submission portal and the conference registration portal. Upon successful submission of the abstract a confirmation email will be sent to the Presenting Author.

If you have not received a confirmation email, please check that your abstract is not left in draft and is fully submitted by logging back into the portal and checking on the Edit/View Abstracts page.

Presentation Type

An abstract can be submitted for presentation at the Conference as 1) Oral or Poster Presentation, or 2) Poster Presentation.

At the review stage, the Organising Committee may change the presentation type submitted by the author to ensure the continuity of the conference programme i.e. oral presentation may be changed to poster presentation OR poster presentation to oral presentation. The Presenting Author will be informed of any change to their submitted presentation type at the acceptance notification stage. The decision of the organising committee is final.

Oral Format:

Oral presentations will most likely be 15 minutes long. The Presenting Author will be informed of the duration of the presentation at the acceptance notification stage. Each session room will have a laptop/pc which accommodates all formats of PowerPoint, though we do recommend that you use the widescreen (16:9) screen size for your PowerPoint presentation.

Poster Format:

Accepted posters will be asked to produce a poster for display at the conference. Presenters are asked to take note of the following guidelines when producing their poster:

- Maximum poster size is A0 (0.84 x 1.19m)
- Portrait orientation
- Ensure all text is in large font
- Use graphs, charts, and/or tables



Materials to attach your poster to the poster board will be provided at the conference. Removal and collection of posters at the end of the display period remains the responsibility of the presenter. Posters not removed by the indicated take down time will be removed and disposed of.

Submission Details Required

The online abstract submission is a simple step-by-step process and will ask you to input the following details:

- **Abstract title** - word limit is 15
- **Presentation type** – Oral or Poster
- **Subtheme** - chosen from the subtheme list above
- **Presenting Author** - Name, affiliation, and job title of presenting author (this person must be listed as the first author)
- **Co-Authors** - Name, affiliation, and job title of co-author(s)
- **Abstract document** - Abstract word limit is 350, use abstract template (word limit excludes: title, authors and affiliations)

Abstract Template

Abstracts must be formatted using the EFFoST2024 template. Download the template below to create the abstract and then save as a Word file to upload to the system. Only WORD files will be accepted for upload. Graphs and tables may not be included in the abstract. Abstracts will not be edited and will be added to the conference website and/or conference app as submitted. Ensure that all grammar and spelling is correct.

[DOWNLOAD ABSTRACT TEMPLATE](#)



How to edit a submitted abstract?

You can save your submission as a draft and return to edit the submission at a later point. It is important to note that a submitted abstract cannot be edited after the abstract submission deadline. Ensure that your abstract is not left in draft as it will not be reviewed.

Review and Notification of Acceptance

All abstracts will go through a peer-review carried out by the Scientific Committee established by the EFFoST2024 Organising Committee. The scientific committee will review all submitted abstracts on 1) Fit to the conference theme, 2) Methods, 3) Originality and 4) Results/Conclusion.

Notification of acceptance or rejection will be sent to the submitter on 17 July.

Registration of the Abstract Presenter

When notified of acceptance, the Presenting Author is required to accept the offer by registering for the conference and paying in full by 4 September the latest. You will be provided with a link to register at the early bird rate in your acceptance email.

If a presenter fails to register by 4 September, their abstract will be removed from the programme and will be removed from all EFFoST2024 related publications

Withdrawal Conditions & Change of Presenter

If you need to withdraw the abstract or change the presenting author, please contact effost@congresscare.com by 31 July.

Terms and Conditions

- The abstract submitted adheres to the abstract submission guidelines outlined on the conference website.
- The abstract submitted is in English.
- This abstract has only been submitted once for EFFoST2024.
- Abstracts that have been previously published or presented should not be submitted to EFFoST2024.
- It is the responsibility of the presenting author to submit the abstract. They are the main contact whose responsibility it is to communicate with other co-authors.



- The presenting author is available to present at the conference between 12-14 November 2024.
- The presenting author must register and pay in full by the deadline indicated in the abstract review outcome email. If they do not register and pay in full, the abstract will be removed from the programme and any associated publications.
- The text of the abstract, along with the names and affiliations, poster and/or additional documents as requested, will be published on the conference website, in the abstract document and on the conference app, and this will not raise any copyright issues.
- A submission as a particular presentation type or theme may be changed to a different type or theme or type following review in order to be accepted and included in the programme.
- Presenters may be recorded for live streaming. A recording of the presentation and a copy of the slides may be published online after the conference.

If you have any queries regarding the above, please contact the EFFoST2024 Programme Team at fffost@congresscare.com

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