

3rd World Congress of Cultural Psychiatry

March 9th-11th London 2012

Congress Abstracts: guidance for symposium organisers and presenters

Abstracts should be submitted by September 1st 2011 by email to WACP2012@qmul.ac.uk. Please include 'congress abstract' in the subject heading. A chair's abstract should be accompanied by presenter abstracts in a single email to assist the congress organisers.

Symposium Chairs

Symposium chairs/organisers should submit a single 200 word summary abstract listing 1) Title of Symposium, 2) Chair and Co-chair, 3) learning objectives and summary of the symposium, 3) confirmed speakers and titles of their talks.

Please ensure six speaker for a two hour symposium or 3 for a one hour symposium to maximise opportunities for as many delegates as possible to speak. Please submit the symposium chair abstract at the same time as the delegate abstracts.

Presenter Abstracts

Individual abstracts from presenters of papers should be up to 250 words structured into:

- Chair/Organiser
- Title
- Authors
- Background
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

The presenting author should be indicated clearly by an asterisk (*) and their institutional details, telephone, fax and email details should be included. The abstract should be use the following font size and type: Times New Roman 10pt. It is anticipated all abstracts will be included in a published supplement of an international journal and, therefore, adhering the formatting requirements outline above is important.

See abstract templates attached

EXAMPLE OF ABSTRACT

Font style: Times new Roman

Font size: 10pt

Symposia Chair's or Plenary abstract 3rd WCCP

Plenary/Symposium Title:

Chair:

Co-Chair:

Learning objectives:

Presenters (name and title of talk):

1:

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5:

6:

Presenter's abstract 3rd WCCP

Title: Racial discrimination and common mental disorder in the EMPIRIC study

Authors: *Bhui K, Stansfeld S, McKenzie, K. et al. (2003)

*Centre for Psychiatry, Barts and the London, Barts & The London School of Medicine & Dentistry, London, UK.

Tel:

Fax:

Email:

Background

There is an increasing

Method

The study included

Results

2,054 people

Conclusions

The respondents in this study.....

Important Information for delegates and symposia organizers

Each symposium lasts for two hours with up to six speakers (or short symposia for one hour with three speakers). The recommendation is **each speaker presents for no more than 20 minutes: 15 minutes speaking and five minutes for discussion**. The entire two hours will be chaired and co-chaired by the same person, usually the organiser and co-organiser of the symposium.

Any delegate should not make more than one symposium presentation during the conference in order to maximise opportunities for presentations from as many delegates as possible and to encourage trainees to present wherever possible. This worked well in previous congresses, so please do check with speakers and avoid any last minute withdrawals and embarrassment. A delegate may however chair a session, present a session and, if invited, offer a plenary talk, and/or a workshop. Please follow these guidelines to avoid embarrassment and later withdrawals. Indeed, if you are organizing a symposium check with your speakers that they are not already presenting in another symposium.

Plenary Sessions

Invited Plenary speakers will talk for half an hour in either a one or two hour plenary session. Plenary speakers will be invited to offer a 200 word abstract of their presentation and a 200 biography to be included in the conference materials. Again the abstract will be published in an international journal which adheres to the same formatting and structural requirements as outlined above.

Registration fees

The fee structure will follow closely that of the previous World Congress in Norcia. Symposium organisers and delegates are asked to check the conference website on a regular basis for updates on this.

WACP members receive a significant discount on conference registration fees. You are encouraged, therefore, to ensure that all delegates and organisers and presenters are up-to-date with their membership dues or become members prior to registration as this will attract significant discounts. Late registrants will pay a higher rate. Low income countries attract significant discounts. Please indicate which country group you are from, and ensure you bring proof to the registration desk on the first day of the congress.

All delegates (whether presenting, or not) will need to register for the meeting. We do not receive sponsorship from industry. The conference is, therefore, reliant on registrations. The registration process and fees will be set out clearly on the conference website in due course with discounts for early bird registration and for low income countries.