

# 28<sup>th</sup> EES Symposium - April 14, 2023

## Symposium Abstract Guidelines

Abstracts due: **March 7, 2023**

Your abstract should be up to **150 words** long. This means there is just enough space to present the key points of your presentation or poster. At the same time, the abstract needs to be written in such a way that it can stand alone in the conference booklet.

Suggested steps for developing your abstract:

- 1) Decide on your topic.
- 2) Write a short title that communicates the topic in a way that can attract the audience's interest.
- 3) In the main body succinctly write:
  - a. What the problem is.
  - b. Why we should care about the problem.
  - c. What the aspect of problem you try to solve or you consider and why that is important.
  - d. What scientific approach you used (e.g., lab experiment, field measurements, modeling, literature review).
  - e. What the most important (1-3) results are.
  - f. A concluding statement about what the results mean.

In writing your abstract, keep in mind that the Symposium attendees have a variety of backgrounds. For this reason, avoid using acronyms and highly specialized jargon that only people in your narrower scientific community can readily understand.

A few more points:

- Prefer present tense and active voice, when possible.
- Avoid filler words (your writing space is too precious).
- Re-read your abstract to make sure:
  - It is consistent with the title and what you intend to present.
  - It is structured in a reasonable order (problem, methods, results, conclusion).
  - It flows well from sentence to sentence.
  - It is clear and can stand on its own.
  - It has no typos or grammatical errors.