

2026 Vienna Call

Submission and Guidelines for Scientific Proposals



Exciting News starting 2026 to submit your scientific proposals



Prof. Emanuela Corsini 2025 SPC Chair



New Timeline

- Reduced time between submission and congress to offer a more timelier scientific program.
- Starting 2026, new timeline will be -/+ 12 months.
- Submission period will be September to November.

			2025								2026				
Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept
			Athens						12 m	onths					Vienna
			Sept 14-17												Sept 13-16
	Launch		1st Call	2nd Call	Last Call	SPC Prep	SPC Meeting	SP Revision	Final SP	Speaker Invitations					
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New Submission Process

- All proposals must be submitted using the online portal.
- The online portal will open September 1, 2025.
- The portal will ensure timely and accurate submission to meet deadlines.
- The goal is to allow faster outcome and program implementation.



We want you to be excited too!



Prof. Doris Marko Congress President



EUROTOX2026

Dates: September 13-16, 2026

Venue: Austria Center Vienna

Theme: "Toxicology without borders"

60th Congress Anniversary Celebration

Fully in-person. No virtual presentations.





Why submit a proposal?

- Your submissions shape the scientific content of our congress.
- Allows EUROTOX to curate the program with diverse and cutting-edge research, ensuring a valuable and engaging experience for congress participants.
- Present your research and get feedback from a wider audience to accelerate the impact of your findings.
- Get recognition and visibility within the scientific community.



Why EUROTOX? Participants...

- One of the largest and most prestigious toxicology conference in Europe, with close to 2,000 participants and more than 80 exhibitors onsite.
- Focus on real-world risks, addressing issues related to human health.
- Networking and exchange of ideas with fellow toxicologists from Europe and around the world.
- Opportunities for career growth and professional development



Why EUROTOX? Exhibitors...

- Increase visibility of your organization to leading experts and decision-makers in toxicology across Europe, and internationally.
- Engage with researchers, industry professionals, and regulators fostering valuable connections.
- Promote product innovations with live demonstrations or presentations.
- Enhance your participation through event marketing, digital media, and on-site branding opportunities.



So, are you ready?

Penguins of Madagascar - H 2014 Meme by BethLichtenwalner





Submission Timeline September 1 to November 15, 2025

July Launch of new timeline and procedure

Sept 1 1st call. Online form opens

Oct 1 2nd call

Nov 1 Last call

Nov 15 Deadline. No extensions



What makes a good proposal?



Dr. Thomas Weiser EC / Industry Member



A good scientific session is characterized by ...

- Engaging and relevant presentations
- Clear communication
- Ample time for discussion
- An atmosphere that fosters learning and interaction

Also important...

Effective chairing, clear introductions, and seamless transition between speakers and questions



Key Elements of a strong proposal

- Use a clear and creative title
- Have a clear purpose and objectives
- Content should be relevant and appropriate for the target audience
- Include emerging areas of research to attract greater interest and encourage innovation
- Offer a balanced view of perspectives from academics, the industry and practitioners across several disciplines.



General Guidelines -1-

- All information is the submission form must be filled out.
- All speakers must be confirmed. Key to avoid delays.
- Sessions should bring together a broad variety of perspectives from academics, the industry, regulators, and interdisciplinary approaches (basic research, clinical/epidemiological, regulation).
- Geographical distribution is important. No more than 2 speakers from the same country, except for CEC's.



General Guidelines -2-

- Whenever possible, endorsement by a Speciality Section supports collaboration and increased field support in the program.
- One speaker may participate in a maximum of 2 sessions, but not on the same day.
- Session funding is not mandatory; however, any resources to cover expenses is welcomed.
 - Speaker funding offers registration, travel, and hotel.
 - No funding available for Chair and Co-Chairs



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Visit the EUROTOX Speciality Section
Webpage

https://www.eurotox.com/speciality-sections/



Main Topics to appeal to our diverse audience



Prof. Giorgia Del Favero 2026 LOC Delegate



Risk Prediction and Assessment

For example.....

Environmental Toxicology

Ecotoxicology

Exposure science

Agrochemical and Chemical Toxicology

Human Biomonitoring

Hazard versus Risk

Hazard Identification

Occupational Toxicology

Pharmaceutical Toxicology

Regulatory Toxicology



Models, Methods and Tools

For example.....

3D Models

3Rs

Analytical Toxicology

In Vitro Systems

In Silico

In Vivo Study Design

Stem Cells



Mechanisms

For example.....

Apoptosis

Cell proliferation

mi & siRNA

Mitochondrial Toxicology

Necrosis

Oxidative Stress

PK/PD

Toxicokinetics

Reactive Metabolites

Transcription/Translation



Target Organs and Systems (Non-Clinical, Clinical and Forensic Toxicology)

For example.....

Cardiovascular

Central Nervous System

Developmental

Endocrine Disruption

Neurotoxicology

Gastrointestinal

Immune System

Kidney

Liver

Lung/Respiratory System

Developmental and Reproductive Toxicology

Skin



Cancer

For example.....

Genetic Toxicology

Carcinogenesis

Oncogenes



A Session Type for Every Need



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Continuing Education Course (CEC)

AIM: Provide training on emerging toxicological topics for new as well as experienced toxicologists.

- Held Sunday 10h00 to 16h00, with a lunch and a break.
- Maximum 6 CEC's in program.
- Two slots allocated to courses from the EUROTOX Rolling Program.



CEC Guidelines

- Should include interactive teaching and learning activities to support the learning.
 - Examples of interactive teaching and learning activities include group activities, assignments, discussions, computer-based exercises, quizzes, etc.
- Presentation handouts and other material should be made available to the participants in electronic format before the course start.
- Organisers and Chairs should ensure they work with individual presenters to develop the program.



CEC Rolling Courses for 2026

Clinical Toxicology

- Combinations recreational drugs
- Novel recreational drugs

In Vitro Toxicology

- Organoids
- Organ on a chip
- Stem cells

CEC's for these topics will be organised by the EUROTOX Education Subcommittee



Symposia

AIM: Cutting-edge scientific knowledge exchange with experts in the area presenting data from their research and answering questions from the audience.



Symposia – 2 types

90-MINUTE, RECAP	120-MINUTE, TRADITIONAL
+ Maximum of 3 speakers	+ Maximum of 4 speakers

- + The first speaker should set the scene for the symposium by explaining briefly the background to the topic before presenting his/her data.
- + Presentations should be 25 minutes with 5 minutes Q&A for a total of 30 minutes per speaker.



Workshop

AIM: review a specific topic or area, providing state of the art opinions or presenting a controversial viewpoint, with a panel discussion as well as questions and answers being an integral part of the workshop.



Workshop – 90 minutes

- Maximum of 3 speakers (25 minutes per speaker)
- Selected area of interest can include methods or technology topics.
- The last 15 minutes should be allocated to Q & A in the form of a panel discussion involving all speakers.



Roundtable – 120 minutes

A discussion-based session with 4 participants

- Only short presentations should be planned
- 5-10 minutes each presenter
- majority of time allocated for open discussion with the panel and the audience



How it Works. Proposal Evaluation Criteria



Oskar Karlsson 2027 LOC Delegate



Competitive, but fair

- More than 80 proposals submitted for 28 available slots.
- Fair, transparent and efficient evaluation of all submissions to give the best scientific program possible.
- Scientific excellence is the primary driver, but evaluation panel also needs to ensure balance across topics, sectors (industry, government academia) and demographics (geography, gender, etc.)
- Flexibility to revise or convert proposal to fill slots in the program is necessary.



Scoring Criteria

Criteria	Score between 1 and 10 points
Scientific Quality	1 is traditional and 10 is state of the art, cutting edge, balanced and exciting.
Relevance/timeliness	1 is repetitive of recent EUROTOX congresses and/or old thinking and 10 is novel, current and forward looking.
Balanced	1 is little diversity and 10 is good integration across sectors (Industry, government academia) and demographics (geography, gender, etc.).



Proposal Selection is based on the program

Standard program has 32 slots, but may vary as needed 4 parallel streams scheduled Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 28 scientific sessions + up to 4 oral sessions

Slot distribution allocated for proposals

90-min (symposia/workshop/oral session)	10 – 12 slots
120-min (symposia/roundtable/oral session)	18 – 20 slots



Possible reasons why a proposal was rejected

- Incomplete or missing information: ensure your proposal is fully developed with all required information included.
- Insufficient balance in gender, generation, or geography: aim for diversity in your proposal's representation.
- Topic repetition from recent past congresses: select fresh and innovative topics.
- Content overlap with other submissions.
- Low reviewer scores: mainly due to other reasons listed.
- No endorsement: seek collaboration with similar groups



You're In. What's Next?



Prof. Doris Marko Congress President



Timeline After Submission

Evaluation/Scoring/SPC Meeting Prep	By December 15 th
Proposal Evaluation Meeting	1 st half of January
Acceptance letters / Revision request	By January 31 st
Proposal revisions	By February 15th
Final program approval	By February 28 th
Implementation of program by PCO	By March 1 st
2026 Vienna Congress	September 13-16, 2026



Duties of Organisers

- If selected, contact chairs and speakers to make them aware of the preliminary acceptance of the proposal, and to find out if they are available and willing to present.
- Ask all members involved in the session to mark the congress dates September 13-16, 2026, in their agenda.
- Submit a revised proposal (if asked) by the set deadline.
- Remind all speakers to prepare their abstracts.
- Keep EUROTOX informed of any changes to speakers and program.



Duties of Speakers

- Confirm and block the congress dates September 13-16, 2026, in your agenda.
- Keep the session organizer updated if you are unable to participate so that alternative arrangements can be made.
- Submit a revised presentation (if asked) by the set deadline.
- Have your abstract ready for submission by the set deadline.
- Beginning March 1, 2026, be in the lookout for the official speaker invitation distributed directly by our PCO K.I.T. Group.



Speakers: Activities Required

- Visa (if any): Plan early. Contact the PCO for help or required documentation.
- Speaker Reimbursement: the official invitation will include exact details regarding the support provided to speaker, including registration, hotel accommodations, travel support, and reimbursement procedure.
- Registration and Abstract Submission: all presenters will be required to register and submit an abstract by the set deadline. All information will be included in the official invitation sent by our PCO K.I.T. Group.



Speakers: Session Scheduling

Due to the very large number of sessions and the number of variables that must be taken into account when planning the scientific program, it is not possible to accommodate specific requests for session time slots, i.e. to work around a travel schedule or to avoid scheduling against another session.



Duties of Chairs

- All CEC and session chairs should ensure they work with individual speakers to ensure good introductions, and seamless transition between speakers.
- Session Chairs should plan to be available for the duration of the session.
- Non-speaking chairs and non-speaking promoters will not be reimbursed.
- Keep the session organizer updated if you are unable to participate so that alternative arrangements can be made.



Final Words



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Start Planning Today

- We urge all members, scientific, industry and regulatory partners to contribute to ensure that our annual congress remains a reference point for toxicologists not only in Europe, but also internationally.
- We also urge sponsors to involve young scientists in your sessions since taking part in symposia and workshops is an important activity to help them develop their scientific and professional skills.



Thank You

On behalf of the SPC, thank you in advance for your contribution to the scientific program and collaboration throughout the congress organisation process.

We look forward to receiving your proposal and welcoming you to EUROTOX2026.







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