

Instruction for your presentation and discussion in a podium session

As has been informed at the conference in Copenhagen last year and on the website, a podium session of the conference this year is non-traditional. Reflecting a high degree of participants' sharing background knowledge within this conference focused on IPS², we want to organize the sessions in a way that presenters spend more time on deeper discussion and will get most out of them. Unlike the tradition of CIRP and other conferences, a presentation (per paper) will be short with 11 minutes while long discussion across different presentations will be moderated by two experts with ca 40 minutes after all the presentations within each session. We understand this has pros and cons, but in this particular conference we believe this is suitable (we received positive evaluation on this style in the IPS² conf in 2010 in Linköping). A typical sequence of activities in a session will be:

1. 4 (or 5) presentations (without Q&A followed): 11 minutes per presentation
2. Questions for clarification on unclear points of any of the presentations by the moderators, and then by the audience: approx. 10 minutes
3. Questions about issues across different presentations by the moderators, and then by the audience: approx. 25 minutes. Examples for the questions to the presenters by the moderators might be (the questions are up to the moderators):
 - What is a grand challenge for research of <<your session topic, e.g. PSS design>> at present? Why is it such a grand challenge?
 - What is a possible solution for the challenge?
 - In <<your session topic>>, there is an issue X <<which moderators specify from their own insights or from a presentation in the session>>. How can the issue X be solved by your research presented?
4. Other questions by the audience: approx. 5 minutes
 - Conference application software used (information soon available on the conference website – the “program” tab) has a functionality to share comments within the registrants (of the conference and this software). Common questions might be captured by the moderators through this software and asked to you.
 - Questions directly by the audience (as usual).

Please **prepare your presentation so that you will finish within 11 minutes**. Some tips:

- Skip backgrounds and definitions for what should be familiar to the audience, and try to begin directly with the objective of your own.
- Try to use fewer slides than 11.

Of course, discussion of individual issues for a specific paper is encouraged during the following coffee break between those participants interested and the presenter.

Do **upload and test your presentation file (e.g. PowerPoint) in a prepared computer at the conference venue before the session begins**, so that no time will be lost for switching computers etc. The screen size of the projector is 16:9.

Look forward to your presentation and lively discussion!
The organizing committee