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General guidelines

All abstracts have to be submitted via the conference website. Submissions via email will not be considered. **The extended abstract submission deadline is 16 January 2026, 23:59 CET 30 January 2026, 23:59 CET.**

At the time of submission, the submitting author will be asked to assign the topic to one of the following categories to facilitate the review process:

- Advances in Ambulatory Assessment methods
- Developmental and lifespan approaches
- Health and health behaviours
- Interventions
- Online and offline environments
- Personality
- Psychopathology and mental health
- Statistics and modelling

Please note that individuals can only submit ONE oral or symposium presentation and present ONE poster. Individuals can additionally be a discussant or activity coordinator in ONE symposium.

Please also note that:

- Once submitted, the submission cannot be edited. Thus, please carefully check all information before submitting.
- Only the submitting author will be notified about the submission and the decision. Please keep your co-authors updated.

Submitting authors will also be asked to indicate whether they plan to attend the conference on-site or online. Please note that this information is collected for planning purposes only and not binding. Delegates will be asked to commit to attending on-site or online once they register for the conference.

If you have any questions about the submission process, please contact us at saa2026@univie.ac.at.

Symposia

Symposia consist of 4-5 presentations focused on a particular topic. They also include a discussion or activity (e.g., demonstrating a tool or an algorithm). Symposia will be scheduled for a total of 75 minutes. The symposium organisers may decide freely on the time allocated to each presentation or activity. Symposia must include presenters from at least two different institutions, preferably from at least two different countries. Symposia may be conducted fully in-person, fully online, or include a mix of on-site and online presentations.

The symposium chair will be responsible for collecting the following information and submitting it via the conference website. The symposium chair will be the only contact and is therefore responsible for communicating the decision to the symposium contributors.

In the online form, please enter:

- Names and affiliations of the presenters associated with the symposium, and the discussant or activity coordinator. Please do not indicate the co-authors of the individual submissions at this stage; their names and affiliations will be collected via the individual abstracts, see below.
- The symposium title
- The symposium abstract, which should be no longer than 300 words and structured to indicate (1) the aims of the symposium and (2) a summary of its content. • The topic (see list above)

In addition, please attach all abstracts of the individual presentations (including names and affiliations of all co-authors of the individual submissions; please see the submission guidelines for oral presentations regarding content and word limit) and a brief summary of the discussion or activity content as one single .docx (Word) file. You may use [this template](#) to prepare your submission.

Oral presentations

Oral presentations will last for 10 minutes to present an empirical study, literature review or conceptual paper, followed by 2 minutes for questions from the audience. Presentations will be grouped thematically in sessions of 75 minutes.

Abstracts for oral presentations should be unstructured, no longer than 250 words and include a title and information on the background, methods and results (for empirical studies or literature reviews), and conclusions. Please do not include references, tables or figures.

Poster presentations

Posters will be grouped thematically in chaired sessions. On-site participants will be asked to briefly present their poster in approx. 3 minutes, following 2 minutes for questions from the audience.

Posters should be prepared in portrait with a maximum size of A0 (84.1 cm x 118.9 cm). On-site participants will be responsible for printing and putting up their poster before the poster session. Online participants can opt in to having their poster printed and displayed at a cost, but they will not be able to present or interact with the on-site participants during the poster session. All poster presenters will be asked to provide a digital copy of their poster, which will be shared with all conference attendees through a secure platform.

Abstracts for poster presentations should be unstructured, no longer than 250 words and include a title and information on the background, methods, results, and conclusions. Please do not include references, tables or figures.

The submitting author will be asked to indicate whether the poster should be considered for the SAA poster award by ticking a box in the submission form. Please note that to be eligible for the poster award, the poster must be presented by an early career researcher who is member of SAA. To qualify as an early career researcher according to the SAA membership definition, presenters must be currently enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate, or pre-doctoral training program in ambulatory assessment or related areas or within three years after attaining their doctoral degree (i.e., 2023 or later). The three-year post-degree eligibility period can be extended by one additional year for each child born or adopted in this period, and/ or care work.

How are abstracts assessed for inclusion in the scientific programme?

All abstracts will be reviewed by two members of the scientific committee, who will use the following guidelines:

- The abstract content is explicitly linked to Ambulatory Assessment
- The abstract must be received on time and presented in the appropriate format, as indicated above
- Oral presentation submissions and submissions that are part of a symposium have to include results; only submissions presenting conceptual work are not expected to include results. Work in progress without any results described in the abstract will not be accepted as an oral presentation. In case that the abstract was submitted as part of a symposium, this will lead to the symposium submission being rejected.
- Work in progress may be submitted as a poster presentation. Please note that submissions without results will not be eligible for the SAA poster award.
- English language and grammar should be satisfactory, and spelling should be consistent.

Submissions of good scientific quality meeting these criteria will be accepted for inclusion in the scientific programme. The scientific committee may decide to change the format of the presentation

(i.e. from oral presentation to poster) to create coherent sessions, or if the number of submissions exceeds the available spots in the programme.