

SESSION FORMATS LK9 Living Knowledge Conference, Groningen, 2022

Incorporating the experience from previous LK conferences please find here the suggested formats with detailed description to support your choice. At the end of the document there is some information about required keywords.

You can submit either a single presentation or a full-session. If you are convening a full session, please add information on the other speakers as well (names and abstracts).

If you would like to showcase a student report at the conference (and have the student contribute as a co-presenter) but you don't know for sure yet which project will be of a suitable quality, please briefly describe the projects under consideration.

Choose the format of your contribution

Type of Proposal	Length	Details
Short formats		
Poster Presentation	2 minutes pitch	2 minutes' pitch, followed by interaction up to 60 minutes. Poster presentations will have a proper time-slot and will not be in parallel to coffee-breaks or lunch; this will allow many people to check-out the range of projects presented.. The poster presentation is easily the most interactive session type, allowing for in-depth conversations with people who are specifically interested in your work. Guidelines for posters will be available when conference registration opens.
5-Minute Exposé	5 minutes	5-Minute Exposé is an introduction and invitation for cooperation/mutual learning. The session is organised in an Open Space format: Participants clearly and succinctly explain their "exposé" in five minutes, followed by discussions for new collaborations, partnerships, further exchange/mutual learning. Time schedule: 6 x 5 min presentations, followed by 30 minutes time for (various) face-to-face follow-up talks in different corners of the room. Suitable for e.g. Practice insights, in which speakers describe, demonstrate and/or evaluate specific practices. New ideas, in which speakers present work in progress on research or practice, including ideas under development or that have yet to be implemented or need partners.
Research Presentation	10 minutes	Research presentations demonstrate theoretical underpinning and original research. 10 minute presentations; with on average 5-10 minutes for Q&A either directly after the presentation or at the end of the session (depending on how interlinked the topics of the various presentations in the session are).

Storytelling	20 minutes	General Storytelling sessions invite a story – a genuine and authentic experience of a team or community – to be (preferably jointly) told in 15-20 minutes, including reflection from the various stakeholders involved. A story should also describe the challenges faced and overcome – in full or partially. Short Q&A afterwards.
Collaborative sessions		
Workshop	20-45-90 minutes	<p>Please indicate the focus of your workshop:</p> <p>a) Joint problem-solving b) Joint development of theoretical understanding, strategies, methods, tools or practice c) Skills-training</p> <p>a) Short problem-solving sessions provide an opportunity to explore challenges, difficulties, problems encountered during the presented cases. Presenters not only bring their cases but also provide the method to engage participants and to work on the problem for 20 or 45 minutes. You should indicate what you plan to do with the outcomes of the session.</p> <p>b) Development Workshops provide a space for further development of theories or practice. If you work on developing a certain tool or methodology and you want to test it, if you want to improve current practice, develop strategy, etc., you may want to use the collective minds of participants. Both the subject and the method (e.g. world café, ..., etc) shall be included in the submission. You should indicate the value to participants and what you plan to do with the outcomes of the session</p> <p>c) Skills-training: We also welcome offers for skills-training workshops; these will preferably be part of the pre-conference programme. You have to indicate the value to the participants.</p>
Dilemma Session	45 minutes	<p>Following an initiative started at the LK8 Conference, LK9 also offers a special session dedicated to civil society organisations. We invite you to bring in a dilemma/issue/problem from your area related to working in science – society partnerships, which will then be highlighted and discussed in great detail by participants from various angles. This gives you an opportunity to draw on the rich experience of the people in the room. As a CSO representative, you are welcome to join the full conference or join the Dilemma Session only.</p> <p>Please explain your motivation to join the conference, how your organization connects to the topics of the conference, and how you would use and share the outcome of the session.</p>

Arts-based	20-90 minutes	<p>Arts-based proposals and other creative interactive formats, like living labs, design games, film, poetry, art work, photo-voice, video etc. can be held throughout the conference. A submission to facilitate any creative format shall include a summary describing the problem or issue addressed, its significance, the way to engage participants, timing and technical requirements.</p> <p>If you submit an Arts-based project, and would like to include a picture, a video or other types of online content, please add a web link to the description of your proposal, which allows reviewers to check the additional material.</p>
Full Sessions		
Thematic session	45-90 minutes	<p>Thematic session with 3-5 presentations and discussion, submitted by a chair/convenor. If you submit a proposal, please also list the names of invited speakers/contributors, as well as the title of their presentations if the session contains individual talks. Please add an abstract for each presenter in your session.</p>
Discussion panel / Roundtable	45-90 minutes	<p>Discussion panel with approx. 3-5 contributors aims at exploring important topics and issues relevant to the conference themes, submitted by a chair/convenor. It might provide an opportunity for collective problem solving of an identified (strategic) challenge; explore a common theme, preferably from different angles (e.g. practical and theoretical) and international perspectives. At least half the time should be devoted to discussion between the panellists, with short initial statements and the emphasis on interaction. Names, affiliations and contact details of all speakers and a short summary of what they will bring to the discussion need to be included with the proposal. The proposal should nominate chair/s for the session. It is recommended that two co-chairs, offering different perspectives, be named.</p> <p>A submission to facilitate a roundtable must include a summary describing the problem or issue, its significance, the questions to be posed, and a plan for engaging the participants. You should indicate what you plan to do with the outcomes of the session</p>

We are happy with sessions in which there is ample time for discussion and development of ideas. However, please note we have less time slots for longer sessions than for shorter ones. In case we can only offer a shorter timeslot we will consult with you whether this is feasible or not.

In order to plan coherent and recognizable sessions and streams, we will ask you to indicate the Societal Theme (based on the Sustainable Development Goals) and a few keywords to indicate the focus of your contribution.

In the submission form, you will get these two questions:

Societal Theme (select best fit)

- A: Diversity and Inclusion (Gender, Migration, Minorities, Poverty, Inequalities)
- B: Education, Youth
- C: Energy, Climate, Nature, Environment, Responsible Consumption and Production
- D: Health and Well-being, Hunger, Food, Water, Sanitation
- E: Industry, Innovation, Infrastructure, Transportation, Work and Economic Growth
- F: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions
- G: No specific theme (general/broad)
- Other:

Focus Keywords (Max 3)

- Big Data
- Citizen Science
- Co-creation / Collaborative Research
- Community-based Research
- Curriculum Development
- Empowerment
- Engagement/Participation Methods
- Ethics
- Evaluation and Impact
- Funding
- Investigative Journalism
- Living Labs
- Open Science
- Participatory Action Research
- Participatory Governance
- Participatory Mapping
- Partnership Development
- Policy / Strategy Development
- Public Engagement
- Science Shop
- Service Learning
- Social Innovation
- Student Research
- Theory Development / Reflection
- Transition Design
- User Driven Innovation
- Visualization
- Other:

COVID-19 Impact

In the form, you can also indicate whether you want to highlight the impact of the pandemic (e.g. working online, impact of lockdowns, etc.) (your answer may allow us to schedule some special sessions on this)

“Learning from mistakes”

Finally, we intend to organize a special session at the conference, focusing on things that went wrong. Mistakes are usually not widely shared, whereas one can learn from them immensely. These sessions go under various names, like ‘confession session’, ‘failure wake’ or ‘f*** up night’. It will allow you to share your story with your fellow participants in a safe environment, without recording ;-)

Please indicate in the abstract submission form whether you are willing to share something that you did wrong, in a short (2-5 minutes) oral presentation – no PowerPoints. **You do not need to submit an abstract for this; you can join this session even if you do not have other presentations at the conference or it can be additional to other proposals you send in.**

We may approach participants after the session to see if we can produce a joint paper on the issue if we can manage to preserve anonymity of the presented cases.

In the form you can indicate whether your failure concerns:

- Partnership/stakeholder relations problems
- Methodological mistakes
- Publicity-mistakes
- Other:
- I don't know yet, I have made so many mistakes it's hard to choose
- I have never made mistakes, but I promise to make a big one before the conference

We will be in contact with you later to sort out details. Let's celebrate failure!