



School of Social Sciences

Emergency Services: Themes in Planning, Response and Recovery (ES14)

Call for Proposals for a Day Conference to be held at

Nottingham Conference Centre
(www.nottinghamconferencecentre.co.uk)

Tuesday November 11 2014

The emergency services and their related organisations provide vital services. Although our understanding of risk and crises is increasing, individuals and communities continue to be exposed to the threat and impacts of major emergencies and disasters.

This event, supported by the Emergency Services Research Unit (ESRU)¹ at Nottingham Trent University and the International Journal of Emergency Services², seeks to increase our theoretical and empirical understanding of emergencies and their management. The conference aims to achieve this through the presentation and discussion of contemporary research projects focussing on this field. It also aims to highlight the implications of study findings for future policy and practice. Further, it intends to provide a supportive environment for discussing research processes and findings, (including work in progress) and publishing opportunities for those who may be new researchers in the field (including practitioners and postgraduates on Masters and Doctoral programmes).

The call for papers is deliberately wide and aims to appeal to researchers and practitioners engaged across the broad spectrum of emergency service related research. This includes academics, members of the emergency services, emergency planners and disaster managers, risk managers, those working in community safety and recovery, and members of those organisations which conduct research, supply and work with these professionals.

Proposals are now invited for 20 minute presentations using the form below. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Issues for particular emergency services
- Inter-operability
- Major incident response and crisis management
- Emerging trends and issues in emergency response and disaster management
- Risk management, including risk communication, warning and informing
- Community resilience, including community engagement and recovery activities
- Business continuity planning and disaster recovery
- Emergency planning and civil protection
- Case studies, particular incidents and lesson identified

As many submissions as possible will be included in the conference programme. Poster presentations are also welcome and your preference should be indicated on the application. If there is considerable interest in submitting papers, it may be necessary to make a selection of speakers and to offer space in the poster session to anyone not offered a speaking slot.

Closing date for submissions: Friday July 4th 2014

¹ For information about ESRU see: http://www.ntu.ac.uk/soc/business/specialist_units/65590.html

² <http://www.emeraldinsight.com/products/journals/journals.htm?id=ijes>

Selection Criteria for ES14

A Programme Review Committee will consider all submissions. Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Topic and relevance to the conference theme and audience
- Authenticity and originality of subject and extent to which the focus and content of presentation is clearly stated (any acronyms in your proposal form should be explained)
- Inclusion of reference to research methods and findings (we accept work in progress)
- Brief statement of the benefits of the research/presentation (e.g. how this research will benefit the attendees/wider community)
- Presentation experience of speaker (we are keen to support both first time and experienced speakers and so wish to ensure a balance of presenters within the final programme)
- Absence of commercial sales content for services or products
- Completion of the presentation proposal form (please do not send additional attachments such as completed papers or theses)

Fees for ES14

Presenters are being offered a reduced fee for attending the event. The presenter registration fee is: £70 + VAT (£82.25) both for speaking slots and poster presentations. This a substantial reduction on the fee for delegates which is £150 + VAT (£180)

In addition student delegates are also being offered a reduced fee for attending. The student fee is £80 + VAT.

There are a number of subsidised places available for non-presenting delegates who are students at Nottingham Trent University; in this case the fee is £29 + VAT

NB If you are registering as a student, and particularly as an NTU student, then you will need to ensure that you bring some student ID with you to the conference registration desk (e.g. university student card, NUS card etc.).

Prospective presenters will be notified of their selection after the deadline when a draft programme will be issued. ***At this stage presenters will be required to complete their booking online and pay the registration fee in advance in order to confirm their place on the programme.*** Unconfirmed slots will be offered to standby presenters. Information for delegates, including details of the conference programme and registration procedure, will be made available during the summer.

Best Presentation Awards-EM12

The *International Journal of Emergency Services* is sponsoring a Best Presentation Award. Selected presenters (papers and posters) may also be offered the opportunity to submit a paper for publication in the journal. Representatives from the journal's editorial team will be available during the conference to offer guidance for new researchers on getting published.

The *Emergency Services Research Unit*, Nottingham Trent University, is sponsoring a Best Poster Award.

Presentation Proposal

Please complete **both parts** of this application form in order to help us prepare the programme and theme the sessions. The information you send will help us understand the background and focus of your research and experience as well as the content of your proposed conference presentation. The presentation summaries and email addresses for presenters will be reproduced in the relevant delegate packs. *Please confine your answers to the lengths specified below and make sure you spell out in full details any acronyms used.*

Part 1: About Your Research

- 1) **What is/was the broad aim of your research?** *(2-3 sentences only)*

- 2) **How did/will you conduct the research?** *(briefly outline your research methods; up to 5 sentences)*

- 3) **What did you find/have you found so far?** *(up to 5 bullet points of preliminary or final results)*

- 4) **What should/will happen next?** *(briefly review recommendations and/or further actions. You should highlight the explicit relevance of your research for policy and practice)*

Part 2: About Your Presentation

(Please highlight & overtype): **Title of Your Presentation**

(Please highlight & overtype): **Name(s) of Presenter(s) who will attend to present:-**

Summary of your Proposed Presentation *(200 words ONLY)*
(You may use the information provided above to draft your presentation summary)

(see over)

Personal Profile *(up to 100 words per presenter ONLY. Please write within the third person)*

Email:

Are you interested in being considered for *(please tick appropriate box)*:

an oral presentation **a poster presentation**

Is your research sponsored? Yes No

On whose behalf would you be presenting?*

Self Organisation (please name

*(*NB You must make clear the capacity in which you are making your presentation. If your work is not endorsed by an official body to which you are linked (especially your employer), you must make this clear with an explicit disclaimer in your summary and also in your presentation or poster.)*

Your title or rank:-

Address for correspondence:-

Business contact telephone number(s):-

Work/other:-

Mobile:-

I have noted the presenters' rates for this event, payable in advance, and will book online through the conference website ***(please tick)***

***Your completed form should be returned by Friday July 4th 2014 to Dr Jeff Goatcher:
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