



EUROPEAN TRANSPORT CONFERENCE  
17 – 19 SEPTEMBER 2025  
University of Antwerp, Belgium



## GUIDE FOR SPEAKERS

### Congratulations and welcome!

Congratulations! Your abstract has been selected for the programme of the 2025 European Transport Conference. We welcome you as a speaker. The guide below is to help you prepare for the event. A guide to assist you in preparing your presentation is available separately.

### Need additional help?

Please feel free to contact the [conference team](#) if you require any further assistance. We are happy to help!

### Conference Basics

- Dates: 17-19 September 2025
- Location: [University of Antwerp, Belgium, Building R](#)
- Access through courtyard on Lange Winkelstraat (close to number 5) or Rodestraat 14

### Important Deadlines

- Conference registration: 30 June
- Upload paper/presentations: 9 September
- Abstract revisions: 12 September

### Register for the conference by 30 June!

- All speakers are kindly requested to [register](#) and pay for the conference by 30 June.
- If you encounter any problems meeting the registration deadline, please contact the [conference team](#).
- If you are not registered by end of June, and we cannot establish contact with you, please note that we may remove your contribution from the programme in favour of other speakers.

### Managing your abstract(s), paper(s), and presentation(s):

- You can manage your abstract and upload additional documents via our website. Access your [AET account](#) and navigate to the “[your abstracts](#)” section.
- You can update your abstract with minor revisions or add/remove co-authors. Please notify the [conference team](#) if there are updates to the title or changes in the authors after 12 September, to ensure those changes are reflected correctly in the conference app.
- You can upload additional documents such as a full paper and/or presentation. While uploading a paper is encouraged, we understand if you cannot submit one. Instead, you can upload your presentation. This helps delegates decide which sessions to attend.
- Additional or amended documents can be uploaded until 30 October.

### Access and sharing

- Your abstract and uploaded documents will be accessible to registered conference delegates via our website and our conference app starting in September.

- Three months after the conference, the abstracts, papers and presentations (if uploaded) will be publicly available on our website. Selected papers will be [peer-reviewed](#) and may be published in specialist journals.

#### **Guidelines for your paper**

- A [sample paper](#) is available from our website for your inspiration.
- Aim for up to 10 printed pages to balance legibility, effort and level of detail.
- File size no larger than 20MB.
- Help your reader. Please be aware that delegates may not be familiar with the geography and administrative context of your country or the methodology you applied. It really helps if you:
  - Include an informative introduction
  - Clearly explain abbreviations and terms
  - Position your paper within a policy context
  - Highlight key outcomes
- Please avoid excessive use of jargon and check spelling and grammar for easy readability.
- Important notice: secure any necessary clearance for publication and permission from holders of copyrights on materials involved in the paper before uploading.
- Use MS Word or PDF format and adhere to the [ETC 2025 style sheet](#).

#### **Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools**

- Your work (abstract, paper, presentation) must be intellectually your own. AI tools may be used in a supportive way, for example to improve legibility (structure, grammar, spelling), to help you with your writing, to compose illustrative images or to assist in data analyses (e.g. assisted coding).
- Fully AI generated presentations or papers are not allowed.

#### **Your session at the conference**

- Unless specified otherwise, you will present your work in a session with several other presentations.
- Each session will be led by a volunteer chair who will facilitate the presentations and the following Q&A.
- You will receive contact details of the session chair and the other presenters in the same session in due time before the conference.
- You are kindly requested to send your presentation and, if applicable, your paper to your chair as soon as available, so they can prepare.
- Your chair will contact you and your fellow speakers to coordinate session details, such as order of speaking, speaking time and discussion time. They will also ask you for a short biography to help them introduce you to the audience.
- Reach out to your chair if you encounter any problems preparing for your presentation or if you have any questions about presenting at the conference.
- The order of presentations will be as published in the programme online and in the app.
- You can bring your presentation on a USB stick or make it available for download. Rooms will have laptops and internet access, and stewards will assist with technical needs. You can also plug in your own laptop, if preferred.
- Please arrive at your session 5-10 minutes before the start time.

#### **Publication Opportunities**

- AET offers opportunities for peer-reviewed publication of selected conference papers.
- If interested, ensure you tick the appropriate box on your abstract page. The Publication Team will guide you through the selection process and timeline post-conference. There will be time to revise your paper before the review process.

**Ask us anything session**

- Approximately two weeks before the conference, we will organise an online 'ask us anything' session. Details will be send by email.
- Feel free to jump on the call. We are happy to assist with any remaining questions to make your conference participation a good experience.

**We look forward to your participation and contribution to the European Transport Conference!**