



## 2025 Operations, Maintenance & Safety Conference

### Call for Speakers

Speakers should identify their presentation format of choice from one of the listed categories below. All talks will be delivered in person, no virtual option is available. If your proposal is not selected for your desired session, you may be offered a poster presentation. Not all topics listed will ultimately become sessions at the conference.

### Panel Sessions

Panels are 60-minute structured conversations featuring a group of experts or thought leaders who share their perspectives on a specific topic. Each panelist provides their insights and experiences, followed by discussion and/or moderated Q&A from attendees. This format promotes a deep dive into the subject matter, encourages diverse viewpoints, and fosters a comprehensive understanding of the topic through expert analysis and dialogue.

#### *Panel Speaker*

You must specify which session you are applying to speak on. Speakers applying to this category will be placed on a panel with other speakers in the selected session. Speakers may apply to more than one of the topics (must submit separate proposals). If you don't squarely fit into one of these defined topics, select Other and propose a session that is not listed with reasoning.

#### *Full Panel*

You may submit an abstract for a full panel proposal with multiple speakers. All speakers must be identified and confirmed. Please note: the program planning committee may decide to use only select speakers or a part of the concept. If proposing a full panel, select the desired topic, and include all confirmed speakers in the proposal description.

#### *Fireside Chat*

You may submit an abstract for a fireside conversation with 2-3 panelists. All speakers should be identified in the proposal. These will be 45-minute discussion style conversations built around hot topics or current policy issues with minimal or no PPT. These slots would also be ideal for agency or administration leaders. If proposing a fireside conversation, select the topic Other, and write in your intended topic.

#### **Panel speakers are asked to submit:**

- Paragraph describing the topic you will present as an individual speaker in one of the defined panel sessions; paragraph describing your proposed full panel; or paragraph describing the proposed fireside chat.
- Summary of relevant expertise / experience; include public speaking or conference credentials. Describe how your experience and qualifications are relevant to your

proposal and how you as a panelist would bring a new and interesting perspective to the topic.

## POWER Talks

These 15-minute sessions are designed for fast-paced, dynamic exchanges of ideas. Each session features a series of brief, high-energy presentations or discussions, where participants have the opportunity to quickly share insights, strategies, or solutions on a specific topic. The format encourages rapid interaction and immediate feedback, facilitating a lively exchange of ideas and fostering swift problem-solving.

### POWER Talks speakers are asked to submit:

- Paragraph outlining the 15-minute talk or fireside chat you would deliver.
- Summary of relevant expertise / experience; include public speaking or conference credentials and links to your public speaking engagements which demonstrate your high-energy speaking skills. Describe how your experience and qualifications qualify you as an expert to speak on your chosen topic and what new and interesting perspective you would bring.

## Interactive Sessions

### *Town Hall*

These sessions are uniquely designed to emphasize audience engagement. A facilitator will kick off the session with a brief presentation, after which the floor will be opened to the audience for feedback and insights on how their companies are addressing pressing challenges. The session will also include breakout groups for more in-depth discussions.

### *Hands-On Sessions*

Engage directly with the subject matter through interactive, hands-on sessions designed to deepen understanding and enhance practical skills. Participants will observe live demonstrations and then apply what they've learned in a controlled, supportive environment. These sessions offer a unique opportunity to practice new techniques, ask questions in real-time, and receive immediate feedback from experts in the field.

### Interactive speakers are asked to submit:

- Paragraph outlining your tutorial material, desired learning outcomes for your session, and proposed delivery format (Town Hall or Hands-On).
- Summary of relevant expertise / experience; include public speaking, conference, or teaching/training credentials. Describe how your experience and qualifications qualify you as an authority to deliver content on your chosen topic.

## Posters

Submissions to this category will not be considered for speaking opportunities. Posters provide a visual and interactive platform for presenting research, projects, or ideas and allow for informal, yet substantive, exchanges of information. Poster sessions showcase a variety of topics, provide direct engagement with attendees and facilitate networking and collaboration.

Use of the ACP poster template is required, and ACP will print your poster and deliver it to the conference venue for you. Sales pitches will not be accepted.

Poster presenters are asked to submit a short paragraph describing the topic you will present as a poster.

## Panel Session Topics

- **Optimizing Performance of Assets:** Techniques and technologies for maximizing output and efficiency
- **Real-time Monitoring and Predictive Analytics:** Leveraging data for proactive decision-making and fault detection
- **Energy Storage Solutions:** Best practices for integrating clean energy into the grid and optimizing storage
- **Life Cycle Management of Equipment:** Extending the life and efficiency of clean energy assets
- **Turbine Blade Repair and Recycling (*OEM panel*):** Innovations in the maintenance, repair, and end-of-life management of turbine blades
- **Optimizing Wind Performance:** Best practices for maximizing efficiency and energy output
- **Technician Training and Certification (*tie in CPI*):** Ensuring skilled and knowledgeable personnel in the field
- **Safety Protocols for Contractor Management**
- **Emergency Response Planning and Risk Management:** Preparing for and managing accidents or disasters
- **Occupational Health:** Addressing health risks specific to clean energy operations
- **Regulatory Compliance and Safety Audits:** Understanding and meeting legal safety requirements for NERC and FERC
- **Cybersecurity in Clean Energy Operations:** Protecting critical infrastructure from digital threats
- **Managing Financial Risks in Investments:** Understanding market, regulatory, and operational risks
- **Navigating Regulatory Changes in the Clean Energy Sector:** How evolving policies impact financial planning and operations
- **Or submit a new topic!**