

# IT-TRANS 2020

## Call for Contributions

This is a call for contributions for IT-TRANS 2020.

### 1. Call for abstract for the programme

IT-TRANS is the leading Conference where the Public Transport sector meets to exchange, discuss and invent IT solutions, to their common concerns. This edition of IT-TRANS will take place in **Karlsruhe, Germany, 3-5 March 2020**.

The Call for Contributions allows you the opportunity to submit your suggestions for presentations that you have expertise on, and would contribute to an interesting discussion at the conference. The key themes of the event are as follows (for full details please refer to the IT-TRANS website):

- Digital transformation
- Artificial intelligence and IoT
- Autonomous vehicles
- On-demand and shared mobility
- Mobility as a service
- Ticketing and payment
- Data ownership and governance
- Traffic and Transport system management

The programme of the IT-TRANS is steered by a Programme Committee on behalf of the UITP - KMK. To this end, the Programme Committee (PC) is launching the present call for contributions. The Programme Committee, together with the Secretariat of UITP, has identified the focus of the sessions of the Conference of the event. The Committee is also identifying a number of high-level and headline speakers which will be featured in the programme.

This is a call for individual proposals of speeches, and is open to individuals from any organisation regardless of their membership in UITP. Selected papers will be assigned by the Programme Committee to the relevant session.



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## 2. Rules for Submissions

Applications for abstracts must comply with the following rules:

1. Applicants are requested to IT-TRANS their applications online via «survey monkey». Applications made through other channels will not be evaluated.
2. Applications for must include the following information:
  - Objectives of the speech
  - Abstract of the speech
  - Biographical note (including photo) of the speaker
3. If papers have more than one author, only one of them can benefit from the preferential conditions granted to speakers to attend the conference.
4. Individuals are allowed to submit only one application to the call for papers.
5. A selected speaker is not allowed to designate a substitute in case he/she is not available. It is up to the Programme Committee or UITP Secretariat to make such a decision if relevant.
6. All documents are to be submitted in English only.
7. UITP does not cover travel and accommodation costs but speakers enjoy a premium registration fee policy: free-of-charge registration for the speakers attending IT-TRANS for the day of their presentation only; a reduced registration fee applies in other cases.
8. Selected speakers must commit to promoting IT-TRANS using the communication tools provided by the UITP Secretariat.
9. UITP has the exclusive copyright of all selected applications (abstracts and full presentations).
10. Speakers must be aware that the Programme Committee reserves the right to cancel their participation if they do not comply with the speakers' guidelines which they will receive once they are selected.

## 3. Consideration for the evaluation of applications

The programme to be defined by the Programme Committee will combine sessions and papers in a way to reach the expected quality and range to cover the priority topics of the call.



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When evaluating applications, the Programme Committee will pay particular attention to the following aspects:

1. The audience is made primarily of transport & technology professionals, policy officials and decision makers involved in urban and public transport. Preference will be given to applications focusing on systems, actions and policies of practical value with quantifiable results and/or effects.
2. Applications promoting specific commercial products will only be accepted for Expo Sessions.
3. UITP is eager to promote a diversity of profiles. The SPC will give consideration to geographical balance in building the programme.

For many years UITP has been strongly committed to promoting gender equality in public and urban transport and we specifically encourage female professionals to respond to the call for papers. **UITP has committed to double the number of female speakers in the Congress programme in 2020 compared to 2018. It has also committed that there will not be men-only panels at IT-TRANS.**