

CALL FOR PAPERS

IDLELO 8 CONFERENCE

DURBAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, DURBAN SOUTH AFRICA

SEPTEMBER 24 - 27, 2018

Submit an Abstract for **IDLELO 8 2018** in these Steps!

The theme for the 8th IDLELO conference is FOSS for Development

Papers and abstracts can be submitted for the theme “FOSS for Development” under the following topics:

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| <p>I. Open Innovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Open Governmentb. Open Developmentc. Open Datad. Open Leadershipe. Open Standards/Open Hardware | <p>II. FOSS Technologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Open Education Resourcesb. FOSS for Educationc. Security of FOSSd. Interoperabilitye. FOSS for SMEsf. Cyber Securityg. FOSS and Intellectual Propertyh. FOSS in the public sector |
| <p>III. Foss and Entrepreneurship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Business Innovation | |

SESSIONS = 3 THIRTY-MINUTE PRESENTATIONS

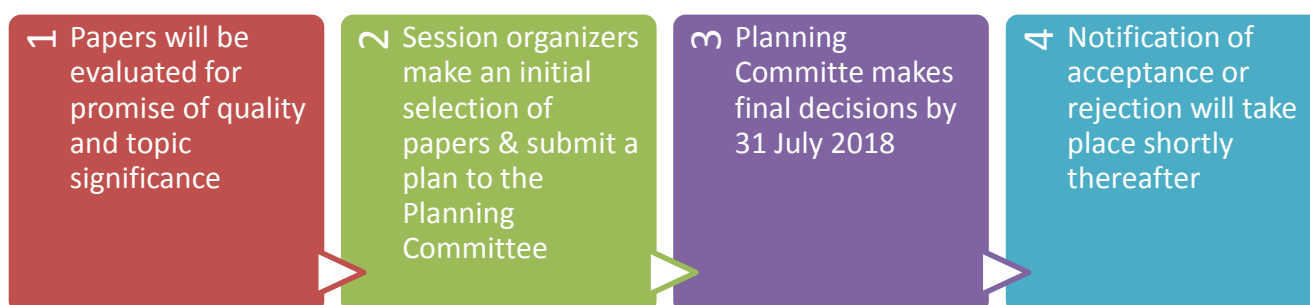
(Proposals should be aligned to this length)

Sessions of different formats may be chosen by the Planning Committee after the proposals have been reviewed. Session organizers may wish to propose different formats for their sessions, subject to Planning Committee approval.

INNOVATIVE PROPOSALS AND SESSIONS

The Planning Committee seeks innovative proposals and sessions as well as cross-disciplinary participation wherever possible. For both the commissioned and the open sessions, we want the broadest possible range of proposals for topics within and across all the disciplines.

SELECTION PROCEDURE



The proposal must have two parts:

1) Cover sheet containing:

- a. Proposer's name,
- b. Professional status,
- c. Postal address,
- d. Home and office telephone numbers,
- e. e-mail address, and
- f. Paper title;

1) Second sheet containing:

- a. The proposer's name,
- b. Session for which the paper should be considered,
- c. Paper title,
- d. 250-word abstract, and audio-visual equipment requirements.

If the proposer will be at a different address when decisions are announced in March, that address should be included.

ABOUT IDLELO

IDLELO is a Southern Africa word meaning "Common Grazing Ground". Idlelo captures the essence of FOSSFA's existence as well as the fundamental objective of the conference. The Conference is a forum for inclusive deliberations, assessments, strategies, and implementation of ICT policy, innovation, and trends. Idlelo, over the past four editions, has proved its necessity and has established beyond doubts that it is the one African event for FOSS practitioners, developers and advocates as well as governments to showcase results, share experiences, exchange challenges, review progress on the continent in diverse domains and chart a way forward for the following years.

The primary goal of IDLELO 8 is to increase the awareness, integration and adoption of free and open source software (FOSS) in Africa within the IDLELO 8 theme (FOSS FOR DEVELOPMENT) emphasizing how such Free and Open Source solutions are being (can be) used to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. Whether we work as individuals or with a multilateral or bilateral donor, an international corporation, consultancy or nonprofit group, we should all be contributing toward an unprecedented worldwide effort to reach the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

More information about the conference can be found at www.idlelo.net

KEY DATES:

The deadlines for submissions are as follows:

- **ABSTRACT (MAXIMUM 500 WORDS) – 28TH FEBRUARY 2018**
- **1ST DRAFT PAPERS – 15TH MAY 2018**
- **FINAL PAPERS – 10TH JULY 2018**

Submissions must be sent to: papers@idlelo.net

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