



## GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSIONS

Submissions are invited for presentation at the 2017 OPUS International Conference. The conference theme is *Identity and Leadership in Turbulent Times*.

**Presentations should explore organisational and social dynamics from a psychosocial perspective, showing some relevance to the conference theme.**

24 presentations will be selected to be given in four sessions of 6 parallel presentations over the two days. You must be available to present on either day.

We are particularly interested in receiving submissions from presenters with creative approaches to our theme who can offer engaging ways of catalysing action and understanding of the issues and dilemmas they raise.

At the conference, each presenter will have 90 minutes to explore their ideas with up to 20 participants. We will provide a facilitator for each presenter, though you are very welcome to suggest someone yourself.

### Selection criteria

The selection criteria are (in no particular order):

- academic merit
- relevance to the conference theme
- originality of content
- diversity of content (across the 24 chosen presentations)
- approach to presentation

### How to Submit

By **23<sup>rd</sup> July 2017**, please email [conference@opus.org.uk](mailto:conference@opus.org.uk) with a 500-word (max.) outline of your proposed presentation setting out clearly:

- the **idea or proposition** you wish to explore, including the particular organizational and/or societal dynamics and dilemmas in focus
- your **argument or hypothesis**, the sources on which it depends, and the conclusions you draw
- the **relevance** of your presentation to the conference theme
- **how you plan to present** your material and engage with participants

In your covering email, please state:

- the working title of your presentation
- your name (and the names of any co-presenters)
- your email address and a phone number
- whether this is your first time as a presenter at this or similar conferences
- (where applicable) the name of any person you would ideally like to facilitate your presentation (Note: if English is not your first language, you may wish to nominate a native English speaker as your facilitator).

## Timetable

The deadline for submissions is **23rd July 2017**. Presenters whose submissions are selected will be notified by **6<sup>th</sup> August 2017**. Agreement to present should be confirmed by payment of the conference fees by **3<sup>rd</sup> September 2017**. We will then liaise with you to finalise the presentation details for the delegate pack by **16th October 2017**.

For further information about the conference or submitting your proposal, email [conference@opus.org.uk](mailto:conference@opus.org.uk), or telephone John Wilkes, 2017 Conference Chair on +44 (0) 208 883 6925.