

## **General rules for submissions:**

**Please note that WFNR supports diversity. Therefore – whenever possible – submissions should try to reflect gender, ethnic and regional diversity of the speakers.**

**Unless there are urgent scientific and/or educational needs, speakers in a symposium or workshop should come from different institutions and gender- and regional diversity should be reflected.**

**If these guidelines cannot be followed, then this should be clearly stated and reasons provided.**

Each complete submission has to be received by 19 June 2023. Submissions will be subject to a review by an independent research committee. Each proposal will be reviewed with respect to the following elements:

1. Potential scientific and clinical impact of topic (e.g., timely topic; new research that can support clinical practice; strong link of topic with evidence-based practice; identifies new directions for clinical practice or research)
2. Reputation and experience of speakers. Session chairs/moderators should be identified within the speakers.
3. Contribution to diversity of the conference. Diversity includes the consideration of different stages of career, different disciplines (e.g., basic scientist, nurse, physician) and/or under-represented groups (e.g., women, black, Indigenous and people of colour, people with disability). Sessions that have speakers from at least two different countries will be given higher priority.

Notification of acceptance/rejection of a presentation will be made during early summer 2023.

### **Scientific symposium (90 min)**

Meeting that serves to exchange ideas and findings. Symposium last 90 minutes and are given by a panel of experts who are well known in the field. It typically includes 2–3 speakers and a moderator/chair. At least 15 minutes of dedicated time for questions and discussion with the audience must be included.

### **Short symposium (60 min)**

Similar to a symposium but has a shorter time frame of 60 minutes with two speakers.

### **Round table (90 min)**

A round table is a form of academic discussion with a time frame of 90 minutes. Submitters apply with a specific topic they would like to discuss with the proposed speakers. Up to five speakers are possible and must include a moderator to ensure that each person has opportunity to participate.

### **Debate (60 min)**

A 60-minute session on a specific topic, typically 2 discussants should present arguments in a for and against format with a moderator who manages the speakers and time. The audience will vote on the for and against arguments at the beginning and end of the session.

**Developing country world forum (90 min)**

A meeting held by developing countries on a priority basis where ideas and views can be exchanged on a particular issue. It is 90 minutes and includes 2–3 speakers (20–25 minutes presentations). A minimum of 15 minutes of dedicated time for questions and discussion with the audience must be included.

**Workshop (90 min)**

These are aimed to present important knowledge and skills for a pre-registered audience. They should have up to 2 speakers. Presentation time is 90 minutes. Speakers should convey practical aspects on daily clinical routine or about a research methodology/technique. Those with a more interactive plan with the audience will be prioritized.

**Early career investigator session (90 min)**

Format specifically for young scientists/experts to exchange ideas and insights on a specific topic. Presenters should be in the first 5 years of their first independent academic or research position. Duration is 90 minutes with 5 speakers maximum. A specific topic will be explored by speakers and/or facilitated by small group discussions that enable networking.

**You can submit a session on one of the following Topics:**

- • Long COVID treatment in rehabilitation
- • Emerging neuromodulation methods
- • New cell-based therapies
- • Interdisciplinary innovations in community re-integration
- • Telehealth in neurorehabilitation
- • Patient oriented research
- • Technology (e.g., assistive, mHealth, AI, robotics)
- • Clinical trials in neurorehabilitation
- • Rehabilitation intensity and outcomes
- • Microbiome and neurological disease
- • Novel trial methods
- • Mentoring for successful careers in rehabilitation research
- • Basic research
- • Health Services research
- • Global health research
- • Ethics, equity, diversity, or inclusion research
- • Outcome measurement research
- • Other

Please note that it is not possible to save your entries. We recommend you write your entries in a word document and paste it into the online form. Once you hit Save/Submit, you can edit your session at any time before the submission deadline ends.

**Submission structure:**

**Section/ Category:**

**Type of presentation:**

**Title of the Session:**

**Chairs** – For each chair participating, list First name, Last name, Email, Affiliation and Country. If not applicable, write Not applicable:

**Speakers** – For each speaker participating, list First name, Last name, Email, Affiliation, Country, Preliminary presentation title for each speaker and a **maximum of 4 sentences** describing the qualifications of each speaker:

**Abstract** – Please enter an abstract with a **maximum of 10 sentences**. The abstract must state a purpose and overview the scientific content of the session. Please highlight the need for the session, and its innovation and impact:

**Diversity** – Please briefly describe how the proposed session will add to the diversity of the World Congress for Neurorehabilitation (e.g., stage of career, gender, different countries, under-represented groups in science):