

HSA Conference 2023 - Speaker Guidance

Congratulations on having a paper accepted for the HSA Conference 2023. The theme of the conference is 'Futures of Housing Justice'. At the conference, we will be examining current issues in our housing sectors and what we can do to make access to decent and affordable housing in the future fairer for all.

This year's conference is taking place between Wednesday 29th and Friday 31st March 2023. The conference is a 'hybrid' conference, meaning some sessions will be delivered 'in-person' and others presented 'virtually'.

Travelling to the Hotel

The hotel is located in the city centre of Sheffield, around half a mile from Sheffield Railway Station, Bus Station and the Sheffield Supertram network. For delegates travelling by car, the hotel is accessible from Junction 33 of the M1 Motorway. The full hotel address is Crowne Plaza Royal Victoria Sheffield, Victoria Station Road, Sheffield, S4 7YE.

Conference Platform

Much of the key information about the conference can be found on the Whova app/platform. We will send you a link to register as a speaker and you can use this to log-on to the platform. You can find simple instruction for speakers here <https://whova.com/pages/whova-speaker-guide/>. The platform will allow you to:

- Network with delegates
- Access the conference programme and keep up to date with any changes
- Answer and ask questions of speakers

Conference Programme

The programme is available on the Whova platform for the conference. It is also available via the HAS conference 2023 webpage. This can be accessed [here](#). The conference programmes available on both the app and webpage are interactive. You can search and filter the content. If for any reason you are no longer able to present, please let us know as soon as possible by emailing conferences@housing-studies-association.org.

Presentation Slots

The papers received have all been grouped into workshops. Papers have been grouped into themes as far as possible. Across the conference, delegates will have the opportunity to attend six workshops. Some of the workshops are available as 'in-person' sessions only. In addition, there will always be a minimum of three 'hybrid' sessions for in-person and online delegates to choose from and attend. All workshops will last 1 hour and 30 minutes. Most sessions will have three or four presentations. Each presentation should last approximately 15 minutes, thus allowing time for questions following each paper.

Presenting 'in person'

If you are presenting in person, each workshop space will come equipped with a laptop, projector, screen, live feed hosting the virtual content (where the session is marked as 'hybrid') and will be managed by a member of the conference team. If you intend to present using slides/video clips for your presentation, we

encourage you to email these to conferences@housing-studies-association.org by Friday 24th March 2023. Please also ensure that you bring your presentation with you on a USB drive and be ready to upload the presentation to the laptop if needed ahead of the session. Please can all speakers go the location of their workshop 10 minutes in the advance of the session starting to meet the chair and ensure everything is working correctly for the session.

Presenting virtually

The conference will take place via the Whova platform. We will send you a link to register as a speaker and you can use this to log-on to the platform. You can find simple instruction for speakers here <https://whova.com/pages/whova-speaker-guide/>. Please see above for further information.

The presentations will occur on Zoom and be streamed into the Whova platform. The links to the zoom meetings can be found in the workshop sections of the conference programme. When presenting, we recommend that you choose to join the session through Zoom rather than through the Whova platform as this minimises the risk of technology issues. Please ensure that you have the Zoom desktop client installed on your machine before your speaking session. All speakers should join the zoom meeting 10 minutes in the advance of the session starting to meet the chair and ensure everything is working correctly for the session.

Recorded Sessions

In addition to being available to watch 'live', all of the plenaries and hybrid sessions will be recorded and available to watch post conference 'on demand'.

Support

If you have any queries on anything, please don't hesitate to contact the conference team on conferences@housing-studies-association.org.

During the conference, you can also message the conference organisers via the 'Message' function on the Whova platform or report to the conference registration desk which will be manned throughout the conference.

Best wishes

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