# IB Global Conference in San Diego, CA: Call for research poster proposals



We invite all conference attendees to submit an expression of interest for presenting a research poster at the <u>2018 IB Global Conference in San Diego, California, USA</u>.

We know that many IB teachers, programme coordinators and school heads do fantastic practitioner research or undertake research as part of their Master's or Doctoral studies. To share this research with the IB community, we invite you to be part of the research poster session during the **2018 IB Global Conference, in San Diego, California (26-29 July 2018)**.

### How can I participate?

All interested poster presenters must submit an abstract. The abstract should describe original research on IB programme(s) and IB World Schools and should be 150 words or less with sections defined. Please do not use tables, charts, or graphs in your abstract submission.

All submissions must be sent by email. Please submit your abstract to the <u>IB Research department</u> at this address: <u>research@ibo.org</u>. **The deadline for abstract submission is 15 March 2018.** Applicants will receive a decision notification on or before 30 April 2018. You may submit your proposal (and if selected, display your findings) in English, French or Spanish.

#### What is a research poster presentation?

A research poster summarizes your research concisely and attractively to help publicize it and generate discussion. The poster itself is usually a mixture of brief text combined with tables, graphs and pictures to capture key aspects of the research. The researcher stands by the poster display, discusses the information it contains and answers the questions of interested viewers. To learn more and see photos, read the IB blog on "Tips for sharing your research in a poster".

Poster sessions are a great way to tell others about your research, in a format that is informal and highly interactive, and to connect with other people and schools with similar research interests. As noted above, the occasion is the IB Global Conference that will be attended by approximately 1,500 education leaders, decision makers and practitioners from schools, universities and governments.

## Is my study a good fit for the research poster session?

Posters can report research that is in-progress or completed. There are no restrictions on the types of studies that can be presented; posters can highlight practitioner research undertaken in a single classroom, a school, or an entire dissertation. The only requirement is that the poster presentation should focus on IB programme(s) and/or schools.

## What will happen after an abstract is accepted?

- After acceptance, presenters must format their poster into either A1 size (height = 594mm, width = 841mm) or 24 x 36 inches. The poster frames are designed for A1 paper, so margins on 24" x 36" paper should include 2" margins on the top and bottom edges.
  - Presenters will be provided with an individual A1 display board on-site.
- Posters work best when their design engages a viewer and communicates information 'at a glance'. Ideally, text should not exceed 300-800 words.
- The following university resources contain useful information on poster design (<u>Penn State</u>, <u>University at Buffalo</u>, <u>NYU</u>).
- Recommended software for creating your poster includes: PowerPoint, OpenOffice, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign. PowerPoint is easy to use and offers poster templates.
- Posters can be printed at many different facilities such as Office Depot or FedEx Office.
- Please make sure that your name and institution are clearly visible on the poster.
- If you are accepted to do a poster presentation, you will need to register for the conference and pay the conference attendance fee (see <u>conference website</u>).

If you would like further information about research poster presentations, please contact the IB Research department (<u>research@ibo.org</u>).

We look forward to seeing your research poster presentation!