

Paper Submission Acceptance Standards & Requirements

Geothermal Resources Council (GRC) Annual Meetings provide an international forum for the exchange of new and significant research information on all aspects of geothermal resource characterization, exploration, development and utilization. The official language of the GRC Annual Meetings is English.

All papers submitted for presentation at GRC Annual Meetings are reviewed by our Technical Program Committee with respect to topic, content, originality and overall quality. Annual Meeting presentations may be oral (usually limited to 15 - 20 minutes, including discussion), and/or in Poster Session format. Final assignment of papers to oral and/or poster presentation format (or publication only) will be made by the Technical Program Committee.

Acceptance Standards

Technical papers can be submitted to the GRC for oral or poster presentation, or a combination of both or for publication only. Unless specified otherwise by the author(s), all accepted papers will be published in the GRC Transactions. Each paper offered for initial and final consideration by the Technical Program Committee must be accompanied by the License to Use & Reproduce Form. The GRC reserves the right to reject any submissions that do not meet minimum acceptance requirements. Papers submitted for oral and/or poster presentations will undergo peer review by the Technical Program Committee, which will examine all submissions for technical accuracy and adherence to the following standards:

- All papers for submission to the GRC must be written in English, with text that is grammatically correct and free of typographical errors. The Technical Program Committee will provide limited assistance to authors whose second language is English to bring their papers up to basic grammatical standards.
- All papers must be formatted using the GRC Paper Template. Failure to do so can result in the rejection or removal of your paper.
- Illustrations and other graphics must be concise, well organized and clearly readable. Tables and figures must be sequentially numbered and referenced in the text. Captions should provide adequate descriptive information. Do not group several independent figures together under one caption. References to published literature must be fully cited at the end of the paper.
- All papers should provide appropriate credit for any technical or editorial contribution and when appropriate should credit funding sources.

Acceptance Requirements

The GRC Annual Meeting technical committee is made up of geothermal industry experts. This committee is charged with creating a highly educational and informative Annual Meeting program consisting of technical and poster presentations and panels that address topical and timely geothermal industry issues.

The primary criteria to be used in the selection process are:

- Papers are relevant to the Annual Meeting theme.
- Papers demonstrate one or more actions needed to secure a sustainable energy future through geothermal projects.
- Papers identify major issues and challenges and discuss solutions for advancing the geothermal industry.
- Papers avoid sales pitches or commercials.
- Work is relevant and of interest to annual meeting attendees.

- Work is new or presents a new perspective on previously published or presented material.
 - It is essential that reviewers be told by the authors when any portion of a paper is based heavily on previous work, even if this work has been written by one or more of the authors of the paper. It is the responsibility of the author not only to cite the previous work, including their own, but to provide an indication of the extent to which a paper depends on this work. Submitting the same manuscript to more than one journal concurrently constitutes unethical publishing behavior and is unacceptable.
 - In general, an author should not submit for consideration in another journal a previously published paper (peer reviewed or not). Exceptions may be made, at the publisher's discretion, in certain conditions. Examples of such conditions include:
 - The audiences targeted by the publications are different.
 - The paper presents a new perspective on previously published material.
 - The paper is an update of the previously published material, focusing mainly on the new research and data found since the published material.
- Papers are well-organized and clearly describe their relevance to the industry, i.e., offer practical applications and uses for the information presented. Applicants are encouraged to use case studies, offer solutions and include specifics.
- Papers offer a degree of in-depth content, even though the audience ranges from beginners to experts.

Consultants and manufacturers may submit papers of a non-commercial nature, but obvious commercial sales pitches will not be accepted for a presentation. Being selected to present at the Geothermal Resources Council 2018 Annual Meeting is a privilege and recognizes the presenter as a top industry expert.