

Middle European interdisciplinary master's programme in Cognitive Science

Hello and welcome to you, up and coming cognitive scientists! This document will guide you through the process of submitting your abstract, helping to improve others' work via peer review and becoming a published author in our proceedings.

### Overview

These are the basic steps to participate at the MEi:CogSci conference taking place mid-June at a MEi:CogSci partner university.

- 01 May Registration
- 10 May Abstract submission
- 21 May Peer-review submission
- 31 May Finalize your abstract submission

# **Registration** (and double-checking affiliation and e-mail)

#### Deadline: 01 May

(This is not a hard deadline, but please make sure to have registered a good few days before 10 May.)

If this is your second conference and you **already have an account** from last year, please use it. If you don't remember your password, search your mailbox for emails with [ProcMEiCogSci] in the title.

Please select your affiliation (exact spelling) from available options if possible (and **put your home university**, even if you extended your mobility):

- Comenius University Bratislava
- Eötvös Loránd University
- University of Ljubljana
- University of Vienna

Please make sure that you are registered in the system with **your official home university email** address: <u>https://journals.phl.univie.ac.at/meicogsci/user/register</u> (Check your mailbox for a verification link.)

Once you are registered, **log in** at: <u>https://journals.phl.univie.ac.at/meicogsci/login</u>

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### Abstract submission

#### Deadline: **10 May**

Both for poster presentations (1<sup>st</sup> year students) and talks (2<sup>nd</sup> year) at the MEi:CogSci conference, you will submit an abstract, review other submissions and, finally, receive reviews and finalize your abstract.

To start submitting your abstract, <u>log in</u> (you can use the link above), then press the button "New Submission".

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#### 1. Start:

- Enter your title (formal criteria specified in the <u>Author Guidelines</u>)
- For Section: select "Talk Abstracts" (2<sup>nd</sup> year) or "Poster Abstracts" (1<sup>st</sup> year).
- Read and check the requirements.
- Click "Save and continue".

### 2. Make a Submission: Details:

This is where you submit your abstract :)

Making sure that your abstract complies with the <u>Author Guidelines</u> (word limit, format, citation style), enter the **title** and the **main text of the abstract**. (Please only use the "title" field and do not enter a separate prefix or subtitle at any stage.)

### 3. Continue and submit:

Please read the instructions at every step and proceed accordingly, clicking "Continue" at the bottom of the page and, after a final careful review of your submission details, "Submit" to send your submission on to review.

#### **Congratulations**! You have completed your submission!

If you spot a mistake after submission but before the deadline, you can still edit your abstract. To do so, log in to the journal website and just click the "View" button next to your submission, then on the tab "Publication". Please do not make any more changes after the first abstract submission deadline. Directly after the submission deadline, your submission will be sent to review. You will have a chance to re-edit your submission and incorporate the reviewers feedback later on.



### Submit your reviews (of others' abstracts) Deadline: 21 May

By 15 May, you will receive 2 emails (possibly at different times) with details of your review assignments. You will review 2 abstracts. And need to complete the following steps for both review assignments:

- 0. Use the link in the **emails** to log in and **read** your assigned abstracts.
- 1. Click on the first tab "1. Request" and accept the review assignment



- 2. In the second tab "**2. Guidelines**", you will see our general review guidelines (these will also be visible when you enter your review); click "Continue to Step #3".
- 3. Download & Review: This is the important bit! (But ironically, nothing to download)
  - a. Please, read the guiding questions carefully and answer them in the boxes below. This is essentially your review.
     You can also upload a file (e.g. a .docx with tracked changes/comments), if you want to. This is a voluntary extra effort, supplementary to the actual review.
  - b. In the last section, choose a **Recommendation** as indicated below. All authors will be able to submit a revision, no matter what you suggest.
    Your recommendation gives the editorial team an idea if they need to look closer at any particular submissions.

#### Recommendation

Select a recommendation and submit the review to complete the process. You must enter a review or upload a file before selecting a recommendation.



To continue with your second review, either click on the link in the email you received for your second review assignment, or click on the submission you have been assigned to review from your Dashboard. You can always access your submission log by logging in at: <u>https://journals.phl.univie.ac.at/meicogsci/submissions</u>

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## Submit your final abstract version

Deadline: **31 May** 

By 24 May, you will have received an email with the subject "Editors decision" (containing at least 2 reviews from your peers and 1 from your teacher). If you submit an abstract together with colleagues, each of you receives at least one review. During the revision procedure, please take all reviews into account. Please make sure that every member of the group submits the same version of the revised abstract. Only one of them will be published.

Here's how to finalize your submission (by 31 May 23:59 CEST):

- 0. Log in. On your Dashboard, click "Submissions" (first item on the left bar).
- 1. Access the relevant submission by clicking on "View" and then edit your text on the "Publication" tab. If you want to preserve your original submission, please save it in your own files – older versions cannot be recovered!

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- 2. After revising your abstract, please double-check that the final text still complies with our Author Guidelines (e.g. word limit and style)!
- 3. To finalize your submission, download the Confirmation Statement form and insert your name.

Then, making sure you are in the "Review" tab, Workflow Publication Submission Review Copyediting Production

at "Revisions" or via the button on the top right, upload your filled in form. It's a bit anticlimactic, but there won't be a final notification of success here.

Once you have done all that, the peer-review and revision process is complete and all that is left for you is to prepare for the conference itself. See you on site in June, and congratulations on being a published author!

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