

Pro & Con Debate	A topic is chosen and the audience is split into two “teams” – one “pro” team and one “con” team. The teams then debate the topic.
Interactive Round Table	The room is organised around several small tables to create a small group space and to encourage equal participation. Topics are introduced either by experts or participants. This circular arrangement enables greater conversation between session participants, the sharing of ideas and networking.
Panel Discussion	4 or 5 panellists discuss an issue, often to provide feedback on a specific topic or challenge, or to brainstorm solutions to a problem in front of an audience. The discussion is moderated by a session chair and encourages the participants and the audience to consider different perspectives and solutions and to become more open on the topic.
Workshop	An educational seminar emphasizing interaction and exchange of information among a usually small number of participants. Participants may expect to receive constructive suggestions to help them to move their work forward.
Interview	A scientist is interviewed by an audience about their research or area of expertise.
Fishbowl Session	Four to five chairs are arranged in an inner circle. This is the fishbowl. The remaining chairs are arranged in concentric circles outside the fishbowl. A few participants are selected to fill the fishbowl, while the rest of the group sit on the chairs outside the fishbowl. This session lessens distinctions between the speakers and the audience.
Pecha Kucha	Pecha Kucha is a presentation style in which 20 slides are shown for 20 seconds each (6 minutes and 40 seconds in total). This format keeps presentations concise and fast-paced.
Masterclasses & Expert Sessions	Each session is hosted by a guest speaker - a specialist in their chosen field - and offers an in depth discussion on the latest research, ideas and talking points on their particular expertise. These will include interactive activity with the audience.
Work In Progress	Sessions in which small groups of participants provide support and feedback to participants on a specific piece of work.
Speed Dating & Research Match-Making	These sessions allow many people to come together to discuss their research interests and find others with similar interests or ideas and experience they can draw on. It is particularly useful in allowing researchers to identify and solve specific problems they are addressing in their research or writing, or to share ideas and build connections through which future research collaborations can be developed.

Poster Sessions	Presentation of research information by an individual or representatives of the research team. The paper poster will illustrate their research methods and outcomes and will be peer reviewed.
Split Session	A traditional paper session followed by interactive group discussions. Paper sessions are made up of at least one presenter presenting their conference paper as an oral presentation. This will then be followed by questions and discussion involving the audience, possibly in the format of other interactive formats e.g. World Café.
World Café	This format is designed to mimic a café environment to enable a better flow of conversation between participants. The session normally consists of 4 meeting stations / tables positioned around the room where a question or theme is posted for participants to discuss. Participants are encouraged to rotate round the room to engage with the conversations at each table, with a suggested timeslot of 10-15 minutes per table.