Authors are invited to submit proposals for presentations at the conference. Authors of selected presentations may be asked to participate in panel discussions.

For consideration, an abstract for each proposed paper must be submitted to IADC no later than 26 May 2014. Authors of papers selected will receive confirmation letters and guidelines by Mid June 2014. Please note that formal papers will be accepted, but are NOT required for this conference.

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Deadline for Abstracts – 26 May 2014

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