

SUM2026

9th Multidisciplinary Symposium on
Circular Economy & Urban Mining
20–22 May 2026, Procida, Italy

Speaker's Handbook

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Call for Papers & Workshops

Submission deadline:
16 February 2026

SUM 2026 will bring together leading international experts, researchers, practitioners, and policymakers – representing **diverse disciplinary backgrounds** – to explore the latest advancements and key challenges in circular economy, sustainable resource management, and urban mining.

The Symposium fosters open dialogue and multidisciplinary collaboration across academic, technical, and policy domains to address the increasing complexity of circular economy issues and the urgent need for **integrated, cross-sectoral solutions**.

Symposium Topics

1. Concepts

2. Streams of potential material resources

3. Technical recovery & recycling supply-chains

4. Closure of materials loop

5. Energy in Circular Economy

6. Applied circularity scenarios

7. Environmental & Health impacts

8. Economic, legal & social issues

9. Methods & tools

10. Policy & strategies

[Click here to explore the full list of topics and sub-topics](#)

Speakers Guidelines

Step-by-step process to take part in
SUM 2026 as Speakers.

Step 1. Choose your topic & presentation format

Explore the full range of topics and find the best match for your contribution.

Choose your preferred presentation format:

- **ORAL:** 10 minutes + Q&A discussion
- **POSTER:** displayed for 3 days
- **WORKSHOP:** full interactive session of 60/90 minutes

Official language: **English**

*In addition, the Symposium may also include an **Italian** session; Italian authors may freely submit abstracts for inclusion in both languages.*

Step 2. Prepare your contribution

FOR ORAL/POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- Download and use our **paper template**
- Minimum length: 3-4 pages / No maximum length
- Make sure to submit your file in **MS Word (.docx)** format
- Each speaker may present **up to two papers** at the conference

[DOWNLOAD PAPER TEMPLATE](#)

FOR WORKSHOPS

Download and use our workshop template in which you must include:

- Workshop Title
- **Organiser/s** (*name, surname, affiliation, email address*)
- Proposed length (*1 or 2 sessions*)
- Short description / Scope of the Workshop
- List of **speakers** and **introductory presentations** (*all speakers must register for the conference*)
- Maximum number of participants allowed (*if any*)
- Special equipment needed (*if any*)

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Step 3. Submit your contribution

FOR ORAL/POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Fill in the submission form and upload your paper by the **deadline: 16 February 2026**.

SUBMIT YOUR PAPER

FOR WORKSHOPS

Send your workshop proposal by email at info@sumsymposium.it by the **deadline: 16 February 2026**.

SEND YOUR WORKSHOP PROPOSAL

Step 4. Evaluation & Notification of Acceptance / Rejection

Contributions will be evaluated by an international multidisciplinary panel of experts. The final format (oral/poster) will be decided based on: author request, topic relevance, paper type (case study, preliminary results, highly specific), number of submissions per topic.

Notification of **acceptance/rejection** will be sent **by 2 March 2026**. Speakers not receiving the notification should contact the Organising Secretariat at info@sumsymposium.it

Please note that acceptance of your contribution does not automatically register you in the conference.

Step 5. Registration

If accepted, the author who will present the paper at the Symposium (presenting author) must **register and pay the entrance fee within 10 days** of the acceptance notification, by completing the registration form.

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Your exact registration deadline, stated in the acceptance notification, refers to the date by which payment must be received, not just when the form is submitted. Please note that registration will only be deemed valid upon payment receipt.

During the registration process, please provide:

- A **short biography** (max. 1000 characters, NO full CV) + **photo** of the presenting author
- A **signed copy** of the copyright assignment form

Step 6. Inclusion in the Programme & Notification of Session

The preliminary programme will be drafted approximately in April and will include only contributions of authors regularly registered. Once the preliminary programme is drafted, all speakers will receive the notification with their presentation schedule and session details.

Step 7. Paper Publication

All papers presented at the conference will be published in a digital set of **Symposium Proceedings**, made available through the Members' Area of the symposium website.

Access details will be provided to all delegates a few days before the beginning of the conference.

Additionally, a considerable number of leading papers will be selected for possible publication in **special thematic issues** on our **partner journal, Detritus**, indexed on Scopus and Web of Science.

Step 8. Presentation Submission

FOR ORAL PRESENTATIONS / WORKSHOPS

Send a **PowerPoint presentation** by email at info@sumsymposium.it no later than **12 May 2026**.

All presentations will be delivered **in person**.

Presentation Length: Each talk is limited to **10 minutes**. To stay within this timeframe, we suggest preparing no more than 10-15 slides.

There is no PPT template, you may prepare the slides as you wish.

FOR POSTERS

Send the **PDF file** of the poster by email at info@sumsymposium.it no later than **7 May 2026**.

Posters must be **A0 size**, portrait-oriented (**width: 841 mm - height: 1189 mm**) and written using large letters, easily readable.

Find further instructions for presentations at:

<https://www.sumsymposium.it/en/presentation-guidelines>

Need further information?

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