ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDE

The 2018 Conference will be multidisciplinary in nature, targeting innovative and thought-provoking research on a broad range of sport management topics, including the management, marketing, impacts, and governance of sport, sport events, and sport facilities at all levels. We welcome papers utilising diverse methodological and theoretical approaches, as well as papers with an applied or action focus that may be of particular interest to industry.

We invite the submission of a variety of abstract types, including empirical, methodological, conceptual, and teaching. Completed research or research in progress is welcomed.

KEY DATES:

• Deadline for abstract submission: **30 June, 2018** - *This deadline will NOT be extended in 2018*
• Notification of acceptance: (ongoing until) 30 August, 2018
• Early bird registration closes: 30 September, 2018

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

We are seeking abstracts for:

• 20-minute oral presentations (with 5 minutes for questions)
• 6 minute 40 second ‘Enlightening Talks’ (detail on this format included below).

We welcome abstracts on a wide range of sport management topics. All abstracts submitted for presentation at the conference must contain original research that has not previously been presented, scheduled or under review for presentation, published or accepted for publication, and if under review, must not appear in print before the conference.

Abstracts must be 1 page all-inclusive. Please use 12 point Arial font, single spacing. Please include the full names of author(s) and institutional affiliation. Abstracts
should not include figures and tables. Include in-text citations but NOT a list of references - acknowledgement of relevant prior research and sources of words, ideas and data is expected. Please provide up to 5 keywords / phrases at the bottom of the abstract.

Authors’ names may not appear on more than two abstracts and subsequent presentations, with the exception of research supervisors on first-author student submissions. In such cases, please indicate the author who is a research supervisor. At least one author for each abstract accepted must register for the full conference ahead of the early bird registration and present their paper in person.

Abstracts should be attached to an email and sent to SMAANZ2018abstracts@unisa.edu.au

In the body of the email the following information is required:
- Presentation category (empirical research, methodological, conceptual, teaching)
- Keywords (up to 5 keywords and/or phrases).
- The principal author’s contact information

Please also indicate if you would like your presentation to be considered for an ‘Enlightening Talk’. Enlightening Talks will be delivered in PechaKucha format (i.e., 20 slides X 20 seconds per slide, with slides advancing automatically on a timer). Enlightening Talks are designed to be distinct from traditional academic presentations. We are seeking clever, energetic and inspiring delivery in a dynamic six minute forty second (6:40) presentation. Topics can include: calls for research, current challenges in sport management, theoretical/conceptual dilemmas, discussion of contemporary research problems, etc.

In addition, we will prioritise research which can demonstrate industry links and relevance.

We will have two dedicated sessions for Enlightening Talks (Thursday and Friday). Places in these sessions will be limited to 6 each day, so it may not be possible to accommodate all requests – papers that will not fit into the Enlightening Talks sessions will be scheduled as 20-minute oral presentations.

REVIEW PROCESS:

All abstracts will be subjected to a blind review. Abstracts will be reviewed based on the relevance of the chosen topic to sport management; use of relevant literature; clarity of purpose; use of appropriate methods and data analysis (if relevant); quality of discussion; and contribution to knowledge.