

SCIENTIFIC PAPER PRESENTATION – GUIDELINE FOR AUTHORS

Scientific paper presentations for the annual conference of NISLT

A. FORMAT TO AUTHORS

Main sections of the scientific presentation

* **Title**

- * Should be informative
- * Your name and other co-authors
- * list all authors, but if there are more than six, only list the first six followed by “et al”)

* **Abstract**

- * Concise
- * Purpose
- * Methodology
- * Key findings
- * Significance

* **Introduction**

- * What is it all about? Why do this study?
- * Purpose
- * Literature reviewed refers to work of other researchers (primary literature)

* **Materials and Methods**

- * Methods of study. Explain the steps for the study as they actually occur
- * Be sufficiently detailed that anyone could read this section and duplicate your study

* **Results**

- * Summary of the final data (supported with tables and figures)
- * Analysis of data

* **Discussion**

Explain and Interpret

- What do the results indicate clearly?
- What have you found?
- Explain what you know with certainty based on your results and draw conclusions

Interpretation

- What is the significance of the results?
- What ambiguities exist?
- What questions might we raise?
- **Conclusion and recommendations**
 - State what is known
 - State the significance of your findings

- Suggest further research
- The conclusion might be a place to discuss weaknesses of experimental design (if not dealt with in the discussion)
- What future work needs to be done to extend your conclusion
- **References**
 - Avoid Academic Dishonesty by citing your sources and references
 - Use **Harvard method/ FORMAT:** Author. (Day Month year) subject, article number and publisher.

NB: avoid **Plagiarism**

B. Format to reviewers

- a. Adequacy of the research design
- b. Presenters' knowledge of the existing literature on the project
- c. Contribution of the study to the society
- d. Literary and technical presentation of the dissertation
- e. E-copy of the study
- f. Plagiarism software (any paper above 50% should not be accepted)
- g. Once the paper has been brought up to the standard imposed by the committee, it will be presented to DG for final approval.
- h. Letter will be written to authors either accepted or not accepted.

C. Requirements for presentation

- Proposed papers must reach the committee's office before 2 months to the conference
- Author should send e-copy of the accepted paper
- No paper will be accepted at the venue of the conference

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