

2nd Irish OSGeo National Symposium

Friday 25th May 2018, Portlaois, Co. Laois, Ireland.

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Call for Participation - Lightning Talks

The organising committee of the 2nd Annual Irish OSGeo National Symposium are delighted to announce the official call for participation in this event. The Symposium will be held on Friday 25th May 2018 in Portlaoise, Ireland. The Symposium will feature a Keynote speech by Jeff McKenna and a number of hands-on workshops in the afternoon. To accommodate as many presentations as possible, whilst showcasing a wide and varied selection of FOSS4G and OSGeo usage and applications in Ireland, presentation format will be structured as lightning talks. This year's event will feature two lightning talks sessions. Lightning talks will be structured as follows. They are strictly limited to 7 minutes. The speaker can choose to use this time as they wish but after their 7 minutes have expired the Powerpoint Slideshow will automatically switch to the next speaker and their presentation. This format worked very well last year and received excellent feedback from speakers and delegates both during the event and also in the after-event questionnaire. The PDF version of all lightning talks will be made available for download and access from the Symposium website after the event.

Contributions are invited from large companies, SMEs, individuals, national and local government, academia (students, researchers, academics), software developers, volunteer communities, citizen scientists, etc who are based in Ireland. Examples of lightning talks from the 2017 event are available on the 2017 Symposium website [1]. Lightning talks can consider your usage of FOSS4G and OSGeo applications, your overall experiences with particular FOSS4G and OSGeo software and services, development of FOSS4G software & tools, remote sensing & image processing using FOSS4G, teaching and research usage of FOSS4G and OSGeo applications, etc.

How to submit your abstract for consideration for presentation at the Symposium:

Using the Google Form [2] please supply the following information:

1. Your contact information
2. Proposed Title of your lightning talk (this can be edited at a later stage)
3. A short summary of the proposed content of your talk - the form textbox is limited to around 2000 characters (~300 words).

The closing deadline for submission of your abstract(s) is Monday 9th April 2018 at 23:59:59 (Local Irish Time)

The organising committee will review all of the submissions and make a selection. Presenters will be notified of acceptance by email by Friday 27th April. Final versions of lightning talk presentations must be emailed to `peter.mooney AT mu DOT ie` by Tuesday, May 22nd 2018 to allow for insertion into the slideshow.

As per the policy of the Symposium - all lightning talk presenters will have to purchase a registration for the event. Registration details will be found on [3][4] and will open in Feb 2018. Notification of acceptance will be communicated in time to allow presents to avail of the early-bird rate for registration.

[1] <https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/Ireland/Symposium2017>

[2] <https://goo.gl/forms/iA0UpQjG3eqq0YvH2>

[3] <https://www.osgeo.org/events/irish-osgeo-symposium-2018/>

[4] <https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/Ireland/Symposium2018>