



Thirty-Second Annual Meeting  
**Society for the Scientific Study of Reading**  
17 - 19 July, 2025  
Welcome Reception and Preconference: July 16, 2025  
Calgary, Canada

**Conference chairs:** Becky Chen and Jan Frijters

**Local organizing committee:** Lesly Wade-Woolley

**Conference program committee:** Becky Chen, Jan Frijters, Lindsay Harris, and Mads Poulsen

The 2025 annual conference will be an in-person conference held at the TELUS Convention Centre in Calgary, Canada, hosted by the Marriott Downtown Hotel. Details about registration, schedule, and other information will be added to the SSSR website over the next few weeks and months.

**Important: Please note that all deadlines listed in this document end at midnight west coast north America.**

### **Proposal Submission Information and Presentation Formats**

As for last year, we have a **single** deadline for proposals for symposia, spoken papers, and interactive papers (posters). The due date for all proposal submissions is **November 1, 2024**. We will not be accepting late submissions under any circumstances. Decisions will be notified no later than **January 10, 2025**.

#### **Symposia**

A symposium provides an opportunity to examine one topic in depth or from different perspectives. Each symposium consists of 5 presentation slots that are 20 minutes in length for a total of 100 minutes. Symposium sessions are directed by one chair, with 5 spoken papers or 4 spoken papers and 1 discussant. The organizer of the symposium is expected to be the chair. Presenters should represent different laboratories and an international mix of contributors is encouraged.

#### **Spoken Papers**

The paper sessions comprise 15-minute oral presentations of 5 papers, each followed by 5 minutes for audience discussion. These papers should be submitted individually, and the program committee will organize them into topically coherent sessions, depending on the

number of symposia and available space.

### **Interactive Papers (Posters)**

An interactive paper (poster) involves a text and graphic display of research findings in the field of reading. Interactive presentation is an excellent format for presenting your research in a way that encourages real, in-depth, and stimulating discussions, both for senior and promising young researchers.

### **Policy on Presenting at SSSR**

The first author on a paper or poster is the presenting author (and should also be the corresponding author in the online submission system). Attendees can be the first/presenting author on one spoken or interactive paper only. The exception to this policy is the case of discussants in symposia; a discussant may submit an abstract for a spoken or interactive paper in addition to appearing as symposium discussant.

When the first/presenting author of a submission accepted for the conference cannot attend the meeting, they have three options:

- (1) Allow a coauthor to present and be moved to first author position on the program. In this case, the original first author will not have to register for the conference.
- (2) Remain as first author while allowing a coauthor to present. In this case, the first author will have to register for the conference.
- (3) Withdraw the submission.

**If the first author of any submission or the chair of a symposium does not register for the conference by April 15 2025, the submission will be removed from the program.**

### **Selecting Proposals**

We will, as always, use peer review to select proposals to be included in the program. We encourage those who submit spoken papers and symposium papers to agree to present in a different format if necessary.

### **Submission Process**

The Ex Ordo submission system is now live: <https://ssr2025.exordo.com/login>. Please ensure that you read the submission guidelines before submitting your abstract. These can be found on the SSSR website (<https://www.triplesr.org/submissions-and-programme>) and on the first page of the submission workflow. Note that submissions which do not follow the submission guidelines may not be taken forward for review.

This year, we are using a new Ex Ordo feature which streamlines the process of submitting symposia and reduces the workload for symposium organizers. Rather than the organizer of the symposium having to upload all papers, they just need to submit the overview of the symposium as a new 'panel'. At the end of the submission workflow, they will be given a link which they will share (e.g., by email) with the presenting authors of their symposium. The

presenting authors will then follow this link to submit their paper as part of that symposium. Symposium presenters no longer need to put the title of the symposium in the title of their paper, and they no longer need to number their paper in the order of presentation. Instead, symposium organizers will provide the order in which the papers are to be presented in.

We have also added a checkbox to the submission workflow for authors to request to be considered to review abstracts.

Further information on submitting using Ex Ordo can be found here:

<https://support.exordo.com/collection/420-authors>.

### **Contact Us**

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