On September 15th 2016, the program committee will begin accepting proposals for the upcoming SSSR conference to be held July 12-15, 2017 at the Halifax Marriott Hotel in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Information about the preparation of your submission appears below – you will be able to submit your abstract or symposium on our website at http://www.triplesr.org/ under the conference link beginning September 15th.

We will again try to include all high quality proposals on the program. We were very pleased with the number and quality of proposals in 2016 and we expect a full program in 2017. It is anticipated that we will need to change the requested presentation format of some papers (from spoken to interactive) and reject others. Preference will be given to high quality proposals by SSSR members. If space is available, similar quality proposals from non-members may also be accepted. We encourage those who submit spoken papers to also agree to present interactive papers if necessary.

The submission and review process for the 2017 conference will be similar to that used last year. We will review symposia first and select the most interesting/deserving and then allow all individuals who are associated with symposia that were not selected to resubmit as individual papers. The submission deadline for symposia will be November 15 and the program committee will make decisions and provide an email to symposia chairs by December 1. The submission deadline for individual papers and posters will be December 15. Individual paper and poster decisions will be provided via email to individuals by the end of January. We will then open registration. Details for the hotels will be posted early in 2017.

We look forward to your submissions.
Symposia

A symposium provides an opportunity to examine one topic in depth or from different perspectives. Symposium sessions are directed by one chair, with five presenters of 15 min spoken papers, each followed by audience discussion. Presenters should represent different laboratories and an international mix of contributors is encouraged. Please note that each symposium consists of 5 presentation slots that are 20 minutes in length for a total of 100 minutes. Therefore, a symposium can consist of 4 spoken papers and a discussant or 5 spoken papers and no discussant. This is necessary to keep the timing of spoken papers within and across symposia consistent. (Note CHANGE IN POLICY: A discussant in a symposia will be able to be first author on another paper or poster. However, the longstanding policy that states a first author CANNOT be a first author on any other paper or poster still remains. The new website will close submissions for you after your name has appeared as first author on any talk (symposium or standalone) or paper. Additionally, first authors will not be able present for someone who cannot attend the conference.)

(Spoken) Paper sessions

The paper sessions comprise 15-minute oral presentations of five papers, each followed by audience discussion. These should be submitted individually, and the program committee will organize them into topically coherent sessions, depending on the number of symposia and available space. If space is not available, presenters may be given the opportunity to present in interactive paper sessions. (First authors will not be able present for someone who cannot attend the conference.)

Interactive paper sessions

An interactive (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. This format is therefore highly recommended by the Society. (First authors cannot present for someone who will not be able attend the conference.)
Information needed to submit a paper/symposium

NOTE: PLEASE USE THIS INFORMATION TO PREPARE YOUR SUBMISSIONS, BUT REMEMBER YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT UNTIL SEPTEMBER 15, 2016.

• First Author (email address / affiliation)
• Second author (First & Last Name Only)
• Title of Presentation
• Type of paper: Spoken Paper / Interactive Paper / Symposium
• Preference for participation. If program space is limited, would you be prepared to present an interactive paper (poster)? Yes / No

• For spoken or interactive papers: An abstract (max = 250 words) containing the following headings:
  ◦ Purpose - concise statement of the specific purposes, questions addressed, and/or hypotheses tested.
  ◦ Method - description of the design, participants, material, and analyses relevant to carrying out the study. For non-data based submissions, provide information concerning methods used to collect, summarize, and organize information.
  ◦ Results - summary of the findings directly related to the purpose of the study.
  ◦ Conclusions - statement concerning the relevance and/or implications of the findings.

• For symposium submissions only: A brief summary (max - 150 words) of the purpose of the symposium and the theoretically or applied relationship between papers. Avoid redundancy with paper abstracts. Normally, a symposium consists of 5 spoken papers (four papers plus discussant or five papers). International participation is encouraged and the majority of participants should not come from the same institution/laboratory. For each paper/discussion, the title, authors, and structured abstract (similar to what is provided with spoken/interactive papers) should be provided by the chair of the symposium in a single submission.

• Willingness to chair a session? Yes/No