



## Call for Abstracts

### 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Earth Science Editors

Hotel Boulderado, Boulder, Colorado

September 28 to October 1, 2016

Plans are under way for the 50th anniversary annual meeting of the Association of Earth Science Editors in Boulder, Colorado. Meeting headquarters will be the charming, historic [Hotel Boulderado](#) located in the heart of downtown Boulder. Technical talks and field trip(s) will be held September 29 to October 1. We invite AESE members and other interested persons to submit an abstract for any of the session topics described below (general contributions are also welcomed), chair a session, or sit on a panel discussion.

The deadline for abstract submission is **July 31, 2016**.

Proposed session topics and talks include

- **History of AESE:** founding of, charter members, highlights;
- **Trends in publishing:** alternative file formats to the PDF, multimedia and multiformat publishing (print, online, video, data repositories), new printing technology, journal apps;
- **Publication ethics:** plagiarism detection and solutions, figure manipulation detection, copyright issues (deep linking, fair use, securing rights, databases, keeping track of retractions, authorship issues);
- **Editing:** handling citations, referencing online material (data in repositories, websites, online documents, DOIs, what version to cite and how), software tips, hyphenation rules, handling lists, file archiving, editing multimedia and multiformat publications, editing geologic maps;
- **Editing challenges:** migration from print to online publications, levels of edit;
- **Keeping on top of important topics:** resources for editors (blogs, listserves, online courses, useful websites, web alerts, news agglomerates, social media, conferences, etc.);
- **Principles of graphic design for effective communication:** effective figure design, designing effective slide presentations, good data visualization (designing tables, graphs)
- **Geoscience outreach:** improving State survey websites, interactive web teaching/learning tools, museum exhibits (planning and producing physical exhibits), museum websites (designing, editing and maintaining online catalogs), archival principals (preservation and care of archives and manuscripts), conserving museum collections
- **Workshops:** doing more with PDFs (editing, security, image replacement, accessibility), editing for readability (identifying problems in writing and how to improve), substantive editing.

If you have specialized knowledge in any of the areas mentioned above or you know someone who does, please consider giving a talk or workshop, or let us know whom we may contact. Help us make this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting a rewarding and memorable one. Although dependent on the number of abstracts received, individual talks will likely be allocated 20 minutes each.

## Abstract Guidelines

- Abstracts should essentially be a short version of the talk, clearly and concisely outlining the scope, principal objectives, results, and ending with a conclusion. Please limit abstracts to approximately 200 to 250 words in length (excluding title and authorship).
- Include author name(s), affiliation and contact information
- Send abstracts to: [jkeith@usgs.gov](mailto:jkeith@usgs.gov) , with the words “AESE” in the subject line.

If you have any questions, please contact John Keith, AESE vice president/technical program chair, at [jkeith@usgs.gov](mailto:jkeith@usgs.gov), or Marg Rutka, AESE president, at [marg.rutka@ontario.ca](mailto:marg.rutka@ontario.ca) .

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