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ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The Australasian Railway Association (ARA) invite you to submit an abstract for possible inclusion in the official AusRAIL PLUS 2023 conference program.

Before submitting your abstract, ensure you read these guidelines carefully – all information that you require is included below.
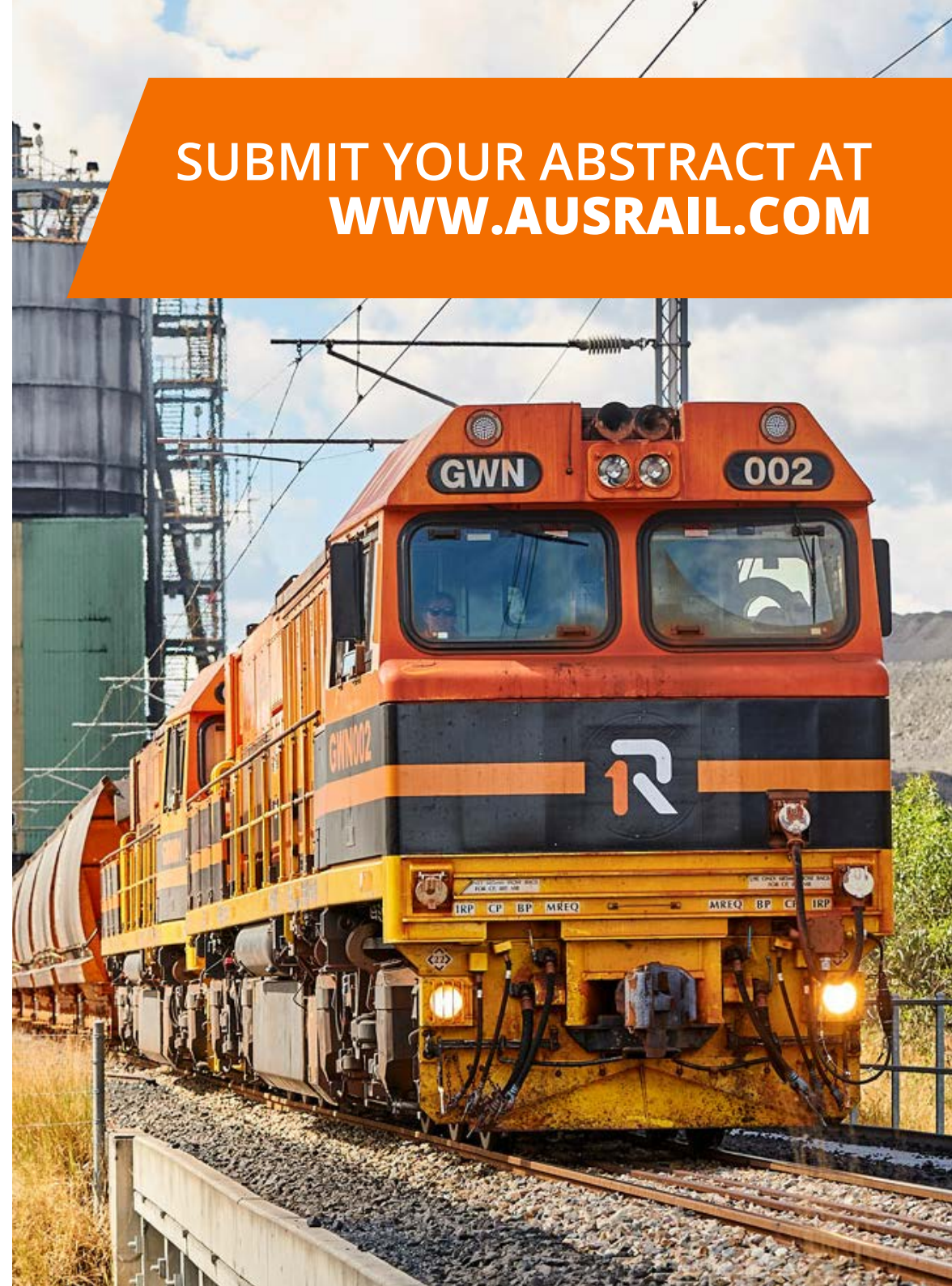
IMPORTANT DATES

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION OPEN
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ABSTRACT SUBMISSION CLOSE
6 APRIL 2023

ABSTRACT NOTIFICATIONS
MID MAY 2023

FULL PAPER SUBMISSION
(TECHNICAL STREAMS ONLY)
30 SEPTEMBER 2023

SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT AT WWW.AUSRAIL.COM

PRESENTATION FORMATS

Abstracts can be submitted for either oral or poster presentations.

Oral presentations
Oral presentations will be asked to present a verbal presentation at the conference including a PowerPoint presentation.

Poster presentations
Poster presentations will be asked to present a visual poster display. There will be no live presentation component.

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- All submissions must be in English. English is the official conference language, and all presentations must also be in English
- Submission titles must clearly indicate the nature of the presentation
- Submissions must not exceed 300 words, be clear and concise, highlight relevant aspects, findings and conclusions
- References are not required for submissions

IMPORTANT: Please enter submission information carefully, information will be published exactly as submitted.

ABSTRACT THEMES

All abstract submissions must relate to one overall theme as indicated below. You are then also welcome to indicate up to another three areas of interest if you wish when completing the submission process.

- Asset management
- Contractors
- Diversity
- Freight
- Heavy haul
- Innovation
- Light Rail
- Passenger
- Rail safety
- Rollingstock
- Signalling (IRSE technical stream)

- Supply chain
- Sustainability
- Technical (RTSA technical stream)
- Technology
- Track (RTAA technical stream)
- Track or electrical (PWI technical stream)
- Women in rail
- Workforce and skills
- Young rail professionals
- Other

ABSTRACT REVIEW INFORMATION

- Incomplete abstracts or abstracts not written in English cannot be processed and will not be reviewed
- No revisions are possible after the submission deadline – no exceptions

CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

If accepted into the official program; the following conditions will apply:

- Oral presentations can only be presented by a maximum of two authors
- Presenters must be a listed author on the submission
- Accepted presenters must register and pay to attend the conference, otherwise the abstract will not be included in the official program
- Abstract submissions remain the property of the Australasian Railway Association who reserve the right to publish and distribute

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All abstract submitters are required to agree to the below terms and conditions prior to submitting their work:

- Submitting author hereby commits with the data protection and privacy policy
- Submitting author declares that the abstract/s submitted are the original work of at least one author/presenter
- All accepted presenters are required to register, pay, attend, and present their material at AusRAIL PLUS 2023
- No funding is provided to presenters
- If the submission is selected, consent is provided for the presentation slides (for oral presenters), video, audio recording and photos taken during the oral presentation/poster presentation to be used and published by the Australasian Railway Association and Rail Knowledge Bank, including being provided to delegates of AusRAIL PLUS 2023
- Submitting author must declare that their work does not conflict with any existing copyright agreements with alternate publishers
- If your abstract is accepted for a technical stream (RTAA, RTSA, IRSE or PWI), you must submit a full paper which will be peer reviewed and published in Rail Knowledge Bank

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

Before submitting your abstract, be sure you have all the relevant information handy. This will save you time.

- ✓ Abstract text (no more than 300 words)
- ✓ All author/affiliation information
- ✓ Presenter photograph
- ✓ Presenter biography
- ✓ Know the themes your abstract relates to
- ✓ Note the deadline and submit well in advance!

CONTACT US

If you have any questions regarding the abstract submission guidelines please contact the AusRAIL conference managers on **program@ausrail.com**