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A conference abstract is a short description of your research, designed to sell your ideas to an interesting way and impress the audience. A well-written abstract should be clear, concise, and focused on the key findings of your research.

The following guidance may help.

What should you include?

1. Explain the purpose of your research and why it is an important issue to tackle.
2. Set out the approach you took.
3. Share your findings or the conclusions you reached.
4. Add in any details that explain why your project is significant or adds new information to your field.

By the time a reviewer has read your abstract, they should be able to know what you chose to do and why it is important.

What makes a good abstract?

Well-written abstracts are clear, concise, and coherent. Writing a short abstract is often harder than writing a full paper. It is important to be factual and focused on the information your audience needs to know.

Do not use jargon or overly technical language. Your abstract needs to be accessible to anyone who reads it.

Before submitting your abstract

- x Consider asking your supervisor to check your abstract before you submit it
- x Make sure it is no longer than 250 words
- x Make sure it is written in clear English
- x Take the time to proofread it
- x Remember: only one abstract per person can be submitted.