



GLOBAL SCRUM GATHERING

May 7–10, 2023 | PORTLAND + BEYOND

CALL FOR PAPERS SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please review all details below to ensure your submission is considered.

OVERVIEW

Thank you for considering submitting your paper for the **Global Scrum GatheringSM 2023 Portland!** This will be our third hybrid event and will include both in-person and online components, creating an experience for a worldwide community.

The Global Scrum Gathering Portland 2023 will include sessions based on the values and roles in agile organizations. Think about session topics that would spark curiosity – and what will leave audiences inspired and equipped with skills to get the job done.

HOW TO APPLY:

1. [View the application](#)
2. Follow the instructions to fill out the fields
3. Submit your abstract by **December 15, 2022**

Note: Papers must be submitted by the primary speaker.

THEMES

- **Real-World Agility**
- **Scrum Mastery**
- **Product Ownership**
- **Agile Leadership**
- **Scrum Fundamentals**
- **The Scrum Team**
- **Business Agility**
- **Coaching**
- **Facilitation**
- **The Future of Agile**
- **Agile Mindset**
- **Other (Please Specify)**

We are looking for sessions that are:

- *Unique and creative; OR*
- *New and unique spin on a previously presented topic; OR*
- *An excellent treatment of a core topic that has been presented previously but is recognized to have ongoing value to the agile communities.*

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The following fields must be completed in the [submission form](#). All submissions must be in English. You may submit multiple papers, but can only be a primary speaker for one session.

If your submission is approved, the information you share may be used on the [Gathering web page](#), mobile app, event platform, and social media promotion.

- 1. Session Title** - Your title should generate interest and draw people to your session. It needs to be consistent with the session content so that it shapes proper expectations. If accepted, we reserve the right to alter the title based on program needs (100-character limit).
- 2. Session Topic Tags** - Select up to TWO tag(s) that best describe your session topic. Options are:
 - Real-World Agility
 - Scrum Mastery
 - Product Ownership
 - Agile Leadership
 - Scrum Fundamentals
 - Business Agility
 - Coaching
 - Facilitation
 - The Future of Agile
 - Agile Mindset
 - Other (please specify)
- 3. Impact Tags** - Select the tag(s) that represent the content and delivery of your session. Please choose all that apply. Options are:
 - Inspiring story
 - Lessons-learned
 - Tools to apply
 - Career growth
 - Workshop
 - Other
- 4. Session Summary** - Succinctly describe your session so potential attendees know what to expect (200 word limit).

Target Audience - Carefully consider the primary level of audience understanding and comprehension for whom your session is intended. Choose from the following:

 - **Foundational:** Focuses on attendees with 0-2 years of experience
 - **Practitioner:** Focuses on attendees with 2-5 years experience
 - **Guides:** Focuses on attendees with 5+ years experience, including the certified trainers and coaches
 - **Leaders:** Focuses on business leaders, specifically executive-level leadership
- 5. Learning Outcomes** - Describe up to three key learning outcomes and/or attendee takeaways. What will attendees learn, experience, or gain after participating? Examples include specific skills, knowledge, and/or practices that participants will be able to take back and apply to their work or life (200-word limit).
- 6. Session Delivery** - Describe how you organize the session with an outline, list of key activities, timeline, or another construct. Include the material you will use to deliver your session, such as slide presentation, interactive workshop, game, panel discussion, or a combination (200-word limit).
- 7. Session Time Block and Format** - Indicate the appropriate time format for your session. PLEASE SELECT CAREFULLY. Some of these are online-only, and some are in-person.
 - ONLINE ONLY, pre-recorded: 20, 45, or 60-minute session
 - IN PORTLAND, lecture: 45 or 60-minute session
 - IN PORTLAND, workshop or interactive: 75-minute session
- 8. Speaker Details** - Please list the primary speaker first, followed by additional speakers. For each speaker:
 - Please list the name and email address
 - Include links to your website and any social media you would like to have displayed
 - Include a short biography (250-word limit)
 - OPTIONAL: In your bio, describe speaking or facilitation experience most relevant to presenting this session. Describe your experience speaking at local user groups, business meetings, or other events

9. Have you presented this submission before? - If yes, include the event name and date.
Please do not submit anything that you have previously presented at a Global Scrum Gathering.

10. Have you spoken at a previous Global Scrum Gathering?

11. Will this be your first time speaking at a conference (any conference)?

12. Video or Audio Sample - The video sample should exemplify some of the following: your ability to tell stories, engage dialogue, facilitate discussion, and explain complex ideas. **The sample does not have to be on the same topic as your submission. The sample must be in English.**

If submitting a video, please upload your video to YouTube as “unlisted” and share that link. If for some reason you cannot share a YouTube link, please make sure that you’ve tested the link for accessibility, and that the link doesn’t expire or require a secure login.

If you are sharing an audio sample, please share a cloud link to the recording, and make sure it is accessible.

WHAT’S NEXT?

Timeline of Events

- Call for Papers: October 31 - December 15, 2022
- Review Period: December to mid-January, 2023
- Speakers Notified of Submission Status: End of February 2023 (subject to change)

What to expect if your paper is selected

- We will ask for official confirmation that you will be presenting
- When you register for the Gathering, you will be agreeing to a speaker agreement that outlines speaker requirements
- As we approach the Gathering, we will coordinate with you to submit additional information, including your AV requirements, travel logistics, and more

Please note: if your session is not selected, you are welcome to email us for feedback. Feedback will be shared upon request.

SPEAKER COMPENSATION

In-Person Attendance

Scrum Alliance is pleased to offer the following compensation to the **primary speaker** of each accepted presentation:

- **One (1) complimentary gathering registration and**
- **Two-night (2) accommodation at the gathering hotel during the event**

You cannot accumulate complimentary registrations and we cannot offer splitting or transferring compensation to additional speakers. Complimentary registrations cannot be applied to previous or future Gatherings. Complete compensation details will be sent to speakers upon acceptance of submission.

Any additional speaker(s) participating in a session will be listed in the program but will not receive compensation.

Virtual Participation

- **One (1) complimentary virtual gathering registration**

If you have any questions, please contact: gsgpdx23@scrumalliance.org

Thank you!