Table Talks at the International System Dynamics Conference

Table Talk Presentation Checklist

☐ **May 15:** Notification of acceptance in an interactive session.
☐ **By May 30:** Indicate whether you will present in a table talk session.
☐ **By June 3:** Register for the conference.
☐ **By July 1:** Submit the following materials to share with participants.

> Required:
> ☐ Extended abstract with author names in PDF format if you submitted a Research Paper to ISDC. Updated slide deck with author names if you submitted a Practitioner Application.
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> Optional:
> ☐ Paper file in PDF format (5 - 30 pages)
> ☐ Optional slides for online conference website only
> ☐ Presentation YouTube video ID
> ☐ Updates to abstract, title, and author information
> ☐ Supporting materials (including models and documentation). Supplemental files uploaded for review will be accessible via the online conference and retained for the Conference Proceedings.

BY SEPTEMBER 25:

☐ Submit your file for the Conference Proceedings. Submit an extended abstract (or slides, for practitioner applications) to avoid conflicts with future publication.

> Conference materials will be accessible to registrants via https://isdc.systemdynamics.org from July 5 through September 30. Then, the website access will close, and the permanent Conference Proceedings will be compiled.

PURPOSE:
Table talks are interactive sessions designed to foster in-depth dialogue and constructive feedback. They aim to encourage ongoing discussions during and after the conference, helping to build and strengthen research communities.

SETUP:
Table talks are in-person only. No projectors or AV equipment will be provided, and sessions will not be recorded.

Table talks will be held in person with three presenters, a session chair, and audience members seated around a large table. Authors of accepted Research Papers and Practitioner Applications for interactive sessions may choose this format. Each table talk session lasts 60 minutes.

FORMAT:

Each table talk session begins with brief introductions (under 30 seconds) from all participants, including name, affiliation, and interest in the session. The session chair will then invite each of the three presenters to speak for 7 minutes, followed by 8 minutes of moderated discussion per presentation. Presenters will verbally share their work—focusing on the problem addressed, methods used, and outcomes—without formal slides or projection. Audience questions are meant to foster dialogue and deeper exchange than is typical in lecture-style sessions. The final 10 minutes are reserved for open discussion across all three presentations.

Presenters must upload an extended abstract (2 pages) and may optionally include supporting slides or visuals. They may also bring their own presentation aids such as laptops or handouts.

SELECTION CRITERIA:
Table talks are suited for submissions that encourage thoughtful discussion. This format is available to authors of accepted Research Papers or Practitioner Applications designated for interactive sessions. Papers presented in table talks may still be included in the conference record.

After receiving the acceptance notification on an interactive format, authors will be asked to choose between a traditional poster or table talk format. If table talk is selected, the submission will be grouped into a session with two other presentations, organized by the program committee - typically within the same thematic thread.

VIDEO: Table Talk Presenters are encouraged to create a 5-minute YouTube video summarizing their work. The video ID should be added to the Paper Information page. These videos will be shared with attendees via the conference website.

INSTRUCTIONS:
For uploading files:
1) Log in to the Web Portal https://webportal.systemdynamics.org/web.portal
2) Click the "Submission #XXXX" link to edit your submission.
3) On the "Menu for Submission #XXXX" page, select "**Upload new or updated paper files**…".
4) You'll be directed to the "File Uploads for Submission #XXXX" page.
5) Use this page to upload your PDF paper, supporting materials, presentation slides, and Conference Proceedings file. Browse to select the files, then click Upload File(s).

For edits to the title, abstract, author list, YouTube video ID, and link to additional information:
1) Log in to the Web Portal https://webportal.systemdynamics.org/web.portal
2) Click the "Submission #XXXX" button to edit your submission.
3) On the "Menu for Submission #XXXX" page, select "**Review or update paper information** …"
4) You'll be directed to the "File Uploads for Submission #XXXX" page.
5) Edit or complete the relevant fields as needed.

Note: For more information, see https://systemdynamics.org/submission-instructions