



# Call for Abstracts

**World Workplace 2017 Academic & Research Track**  
**Houston, Texas, United States**  
**October 18 – 20, 2017**

## CALL FOR CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS AND/OR PAPERS

The IFMA Foundation's Academic & Research (A&R) Track is open for submissions. The A&R track is an initiative that runs in conjunction with World Workplace 2017 in **Houston, Texas** from **October 18 – 20, 2017**. Interested authors have two options for their submission:

- 1) Abstract only (no full paper required; PowerPoint presentation at the conference);

AND/OR...

- 2) A full paper for complete blind peer review and publication in the conference proceedings (and consideration of publication in the new IFMA academic *Journal of Facility Management Education and Research*)

At least one author from all accepted abstracts or papers are expected to present at the conference. Copies of the presentations and/or full papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings. This call is open to all academics, researchers, and professionals in Facility Management, the Built Environment, and other related fields of study. All abstracts and papers must be written in English. **Authors of accepted abstracts and papers will receive a one-day registration or the equivalent discount to a full World Workplace 2017 registration.** Travel costs will be the full responsibility of the author.

**Please submit your Abstract or Paper online here:**

**[www.editorialsystem.com/jfmer/](http://www.editorialsystem.com/jfmer/)**

*(if submitting abstract only: upload a copy of the abstract in Step 10)*

## 2017 IFMA WWP HOUSTON A&R TRACK SCHEDULE

- 2 March 2017: Call of Abstracts & Papers
- **26 June 2017: Abstracts AND/OR Full Paper submission due (8-page maximum)**
- 17 July 2017: Notification of acceptance or rejection with specific edits as necessary
- 18 July – 18 September 2017: Final revisions and comments (full papers)
- **4 October 2017: Final Abstracts AND/OR Camera ready final papers**
- 19 October 2017: Presentation of A & R Papers at WWP 2017 in Houston, Texas (final times & date TBD)

## THEME

Advancement of research and education in facility management is the focus of the Academic & Research track. Papers may address a wide variety of topics, including (but not limited to) the following areas:

- PhD projects
- Education in both industry and academic settings, (instructional design, curriculum, etc.)
- Technologies' impacts and future FM practice
- Professional practice issues and areas of opportunity
- Performance and quality of the facility organization
- FM Research methods / case studies / processes

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