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Key points

- The **PPIM templates** must be used for papers and presentations. Download templates here.
- Upload the paper, presentation and author biographies to the <u>submissions portal</u>. Click on your PPIM 2026 submission, then select AMEND to access the upload link. If you have any issues, contact Ben Stroman, Executive Editor, +1 713 359 0016.

Deadlines:

- October 31 presenter registration, see item 4
- November 18 final paper, see item 1
- December 2 biographies, see item 3
- December 16 presentation slides, see item 2

1. Prepare and send the final paper

See the upload link above. Your paper will be edited for style, published as an encrypted PDF document and distributed electronically to the delegates. The abstract and authors' biographical notes will be published in the printed Conference Handbook. In order to meet our production deadline, a file in Word (formatted using our Word template) including all illustrations and tables is required by November 18, 2025. Consult our Sample Paper for guidance on style and specs.

Photographs, illustrations, and tables are welcome: they should be added to the paper and labeled with the same figure/table numbers as in the text. They can be optionally placed together at the end of the text pages or inserted where they are referenced in the text.

There is no prescribed length for the paper: a typical guideline value might be 10-20 pages, plus illustrations.

Copyright. For the purposes of the conference, we require a joint copyright to the paper as submitted. Papers may be published after the event in publications produced by Clarion or its licensees. We will provide a notice of copyright in the names of the author(s) and Clarion.

2. PowerPoint presentation

See the upload link above. Please prepare your slides using the PPIM **PowerPoint template** and get these to us by **December 16**. Handouts will be printed at two per page.

3. Biographical note

See the upload link above. For the information of the participants and the chairman's introduction, please provide a brief biography of all authors of your paper which includes present positions, work experience, contributions of interest, publications, professional memberships, academic degrees, etc. Kindlylimit this to 50 words for each author. **This is required by December 2**.

4. Registration details

Speakers must register by October 31 using the form for speakers and authors. Please contact Traci Branstetter if you have any questions about registration: +1 713 449 3222, traci@clarion.org

5. Conference check-in, name badge, etc.

George R. Brown Convention Center, Hall E1 (Level 1)

- a. Tuesday, January 20, 5pm to 7pm
- b. Wednesday, January 21, 7am forward
- c. Thursday, January 22, 7am forward

6. Overnight accommodation

The official hotel for PPIM 2026 is the Hilton Americas – Houston, 1600 Lamar Street, Houston, Texas 77010, +1 713 739 8000. A discounted room rate of \$294 has been organized with the hotel. You will find the booking details here. The number of rooms at this rate is limited, so we recommend booking early. The exhibition will take place in the adjacent George R. Brown Convention Center, accessible from the hotel by skywalk or sidewalk.

7. Timing

This will be a multi-track conference, and it will be important for each presentation to finish at the programmed time to allow delegates to move between tracks. **The time allotted for each presentation will be 20 minutes**, plus five minutes for audience questions = 25 minutes total.

8. AV setup

In each of the conference track rooms there will be a laptop at the podium. Your presentation will have been loaded onto this laptop in advance. However, as a backup, please bring a copy of your presentation file(s) on a portable USB drive. The projection and audio systems will be managed by our technicians who will be in the rooms throughout.

9. Other equipment

Please contact the speaker liaison below if other equipment is required.

10. Exhibition

The conference will be accompanied by an exhibition. For information on exhibiting, please contact Traci Branstetter, +1 713 449 3222, traci@clarion.org.

11. Event schedule

Monday, January 19	Training courses	8:00am – 5:00pm
Tuesday, January 20	Training courses Operators Workshop Welcome reception and exhibition open	8:00am – 5:00pm 1:30pm – 4:30pm 5:00pm – 7:00pm
Wednesday, January 21	Conference technical sessions Exhibition open Cocktail Reception in exhibition area	8:00am – 4:30pm* 9:00am – 6:30pm 5:00pm – 6:30pm
Thursday, January 22	Conference technical sessions Exhibition open	8:00am – 5:00pm* 9:00am – 2:00pm

^{*}Finish times may vary once the technical program is confirmed.

12. Speaker liaison

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