

Call for proposals

"IAF@30: Shaping the Future of Facilitation"

IAF Facilitation Summit, 2024 online (17-19 October 2024)

The International Association of Facilitators (IAF) turns 30 this year, an opportunity not only to celebrate but also to practice. At the IAF Facilitation Summit we want to do just that: Celebrate facilitation by practicing it.

About the IAF Facilitation Summit

The IAF Facilitation Summit will take place online from Oct 17-19, 2024. The central theme is Shaping the Future of Facilitation.

Given the global nature of the IAF Facilitation Summit, each day will be dedicated to a different time zone and regions.

There will be five concurrent sessions every morning and five in the afternoon. The IAF Facilitation Summit will be full of opportunities to connect and learn together in different ways.

About the Call for Proposals

For the IAF Facilitation Summit, we are looking for new perspectives on our craft that will allow us to reflect, learn and grow together.

We strive for excellence and inclusiveness. That is why we want to invite as many people as possible, with their diverse perspectives and experiences, to join us in "Shaping the Future of Facilitation". Contribute by **proposing to facilitate** one of the 30 workshops scheduled at six different time-slots over the three days of the Summit.

In these workshops, we are interested in your unique exploration:

- What questions are you pursuing?
- What experiences do you want to share?
- How can facilitation help to meet challenges we face in organizations, societies, communities, cities etc.?
- *What are some cutting edge facilitation tools, techniques, methods, and processes that will shape the future of facilitation?*

Some **directions** to provide scaffolding and inspiration to your Proposal Design could be -

1. Facilitation to make this world more socially inclusive and equitable
2. Facilitation to support building a sustainable planet
3. Leveraging technology to improve connection and collaboration, problem-solving and decision-making and bring about new insights by connecting the dots
4. The evolving skills, habits, behaviours that will help facilitators stay on top of their profession

Guidelines for submission:

- You may submit up to three proposals for the IAF Facilitation Summit.
- Co-facilitation is encouraged.
- Please plan your workshop/session for a maximum of 100 minutes.
- Please use this link to submit your proposal form to us no later than **July 7, 2024, 6:00 pm CET** here:
<https://www.eventleaf.com/Attendee/AbstractSubmission?pld=RzHZjaXfZ22Wzxfmv939hw%3D%3D>
- Please be aware that incomplete and late submissions will not be considered.
- We encourage you to read the proposal form fields, instructions and evaluation criteria carefully before you begin designing and submitting your proposal online.
- Please indicate on which day/ days of the IAF Facilitation Summit can you facilitate a session. The more flexible you are, the easier it will be for us to plan.
- *Please upload your and your co-facilitator's picture along with your submission.*
- We will let you know at the latest by August 22 , 2024 whether your proposal has been selected.
- We will invite you for a *Pre-Summit orientation* if your proposal gets selected.
- As the IAF is a volunteer organization and we want to keep costs down, workshop facilitators will also need to purchase a discounted ticket to attend the IAF Facilitation Summit.

What we are looking for?

- How well does your proposed design capture and reflect the conference theme?
- How well does your session design align with the IAF Competencies?
- How well have you designed the session to enhance group learning / experience?
- How fair is the balance of divergence and convergence in the time available?
- How is the choice of processes, methods, tools & activities in the session design leading to the desired outcome?
- Is one of the proposers a member/*credentialed* member of the IAF?
- Is the session proposed to be co-facilitated?