

Call for Proposals: Special Thematic Sessions

The N2026 Organizing Committee invites proposals for **Special Thematic Sessions** to complement the eleven existing session categories.

These sessions are intended to address emerging or cross-cutting topics not fully covered by the current categories, fostering interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary dialogue among scientists, policymakers, and other stakeholders.

A limited number of proposals will be selected following review and approval by the Organizing Committee.

Each proposal should be concise (**maximum two pages**), in PDF format, and follow the structure below for clarity and consistency:

1. Title of the Proposed Session

Provide a clear and concise title that reflects the focus of the session.

2. Session Overview (200–300 words)

Briefly describe the context and importance of the proposed session:

- What issue or challenge does it address?
- Why is it timely and relevant to N2026's theme, "Sustainable Nitrogen Management for Future Generations"?
- How does this session contribute to advancing nitrogen science, policy, or practice?
- Clarify the unique focus, innovative perspective, or integrative approach your session provides.

Describe the expected outcomes or deliverables, such as:

- Synthesis or comparative insights across sectors or regions
- Policy or management recommendations
- Collaborative initiatives or follow-up publications
- Engagement of early-career researchers or youth participants

3. Proposed Format and Potential Speakers (Optional)

Session format: Please choose from oral and poster presentations, panel discussion (oral only), or other (if applicable).

Note: Hybrid participation will not be available.

Duration for oral part: 90 minutes.

If applicable, list potential speakers or panelists (names and affiliations).

4. Proposer(s) and Contact Information

List the lead proposer and any co-proposers, including:

- Full name(s)
- Affiliation(s)
- Country
- Email address (indicate the primary contact person)

5. Keywords

Provide 3–5 keywords that best describe the scope and focus of your session.

6. Additional information (if any)

Submission and Review Process

Please submit your proposal by **March 16, 2026** via email to the N2026 Secretariat. (n2026@nta.co.jp)

All submissions will be reviewed by the Organizing Committee, which will assess their scientific value, originality, and complementarity with the existing session structure.

If necessary, the Committee may suggest integrating similar proposals or adjusting session formats. Notification of the review results will be sent individually to proposers at a later date.

Review Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Relevance to the N2026 theme and objectives
- Novelty and interdisciplinary or transdisciplinary nature
- Clarity of rationale and objectives
- Feasibility within the conference structure
- Potential for scientific and societal impact