

EASST 2022 – The politics of technoscientific futures

Call for Panels

The next conference of the European Association for the Study of Science & Technology will be held in Madrid on June 29 – July 2, 2022.

Continuing the approach adopted in the 2018 EASST conference in Lancaster, the 2022 conference involves a first stage call for panels and convenors, with a subsequent call for papers and sessions. The conference will be organized in parallel sessions of panels that may run through part or the whole of the conference.

This initial call is for traditional panels and also for alternative open formats by convenors who will be responsible for organizing them. Convenors of panel proposals accepted by the Programme Committee of the conference will manage their theme within the call for abstracts, and will be responsible for reviewing, accepting/rejecting and organising submissions into their panels. Teams of convenors (up to a maximum of four people) are welcomed, particularly if they are international in composition.

Panels proposals are invited for EASST 2022 which address broad issues and themes within the field of science, technology and innovation studies, in order to attract a large number of scholars and can last for the entire duration of the conference or be shorter. We are open to different types of sessions: traditional ones with standard papers, practitioners' workshops, open debates concentrated upon specific topics, mixed formats including interactive modalities or performances. We especially encourage panel proposals which address (but are not limited to) the conference focus on the *Politics of Technoscientific Futures*.

Panel proposals should consist of title, name(s) of convenor(s) (with a short description of their position and location), and a short abstract elaborating the proposed theme and the area of interest, naming exemplary problems or giving other information crucial to a participant interested in proposing a paper (maximum of 500 words).

In addition to the traditional call for panels, the conference makes a call for alternative open formats. If we have to embrace a discussion of the possible futures, we think that this cannot just rely on the conventional ways of meeting and debating that we have used in the past. We will welcome all kinds of non-discursive, hands-on, performative and practical formats: walking sessions, hands-on workshops, performative interventions, theatrical plays, experimental encounters, exhibitions, labs... We invite the EASST community to speculate with the many possible ways to devise modes of encounter to share their knowledge. We are aware that some of these formats may be logistically complex for the organization, so if the proponents specify what kind of materials and/or arrangements are needed, we will do our best in trying to accommodate the accepted proposals.

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Key dates

Call for Panels:

Opened 1 October; Closes 29th of November, 5pm CET Panel organizers informed by the 5th of December

Call for Abstracts and Closed sessions:

Open 10th December; Closes 1st February Participants informed by the 28th of February

Early registration opens on the 15th of March and closes the 25th of April. **Late registration** opens on the 26th of April and closes the 9th of May