

# Guidelines for Online Professional Poster Submission: The Together Conference for Sign Language Interpreters and Translators 2025

## **Theme: Blurred Boundaries: Sharpening Perspectives**

We are delighted to invite professional poster submissions for The Together Conference for Sign Language Interpreters and Translators 2025. This online event provides an excellent opportunity for professionals, researchers, educators, and students in the field to share their work. Professional posters may be submitted in English, and all professional posters will be displayed online through the conference platform. Please follow these guidelines when preparing your professional poster.

# 1. Eligibility

- Open to a wide range of participants, including:

- Professional interpreters and translators

- Researchers and academics in sign language studies, linguistics, interpreting, and translation

- Students and early career professionals
- Practitioners in community, legal, medical, or educational settings
- Professionals involved in research, teaching, or advocacy.
- Collaborative and interdisciplinary projects are highly encouraged.
- Submissions should be original work, not previously presented, or published.

# 2. Conference Theme

All posters must in some way address the conference theme: Blurred Boundaries: Sharpening Perspectives. This can include, but is not limited to:

- Exploring boundaries in interpreting and translation practices, such as ethical, cultural, or linguistic boundaries.

- Challenging conventional perspectives within sign language research and linguistics or interpreter education.

- Investigating interdisciplinary approaches that sharpen understanding in the field.

- Examining the shifting dynamics between Deaf and hearing professionals, interpreters and clients, or researchers and practitioners.

#### 3. Poster Format

- Submit posters in PDF format.
- Posters may be submitted in English.
- Aspect ratio: 16:9 or 4:3 for best viewing across devices.
- File size: Maximum of 10 MB.

- Ensure all text, images, and graphs are clear and legible on screens of different sizes.

#### 4. Design Recommendations

- Font sizes: Title 36pt), section headings (24pt), body text (18pt).

- Use sans-serif fonts (e.g., Arial, Calibri) for optimal readability online.
- Limit long text blocks; use bullet points, charts, and concise statements where possible.



- Ensure clear visual organisation with distinct sections (e.g., Introduction, Methods, Results, Conclusions).

-Colour scheme: Choose high-contrast colours for readability, including for those with visual impairments.

# 5. Content

- Title should reflect the poster's subject clearly.
- Include authors' names and affiliations beneath the title.
- Structure the poster to cover:
- Introduction/Background
- Objectives/Research Questions
- Methods/Approach
- Results/Findings
- Discussion/Implications
- Conclusion (and future directions if relevant)
- References (if applicable)

- Ensure accessibility by using clear language and well-presented data, especially for mobile viewers.

#### 6. Interactive Elements (Optional)

- Include QR codes or hyperlinks to supplementary resources like video presentations, papers, or data sets.

- Verify that all links are functional and compatible with different devices.

#### 7. Submission Process

- Submit posters via the official conference submission form -

https://forms.gle/of7xxZWb6ueoWuH66.

- Name your file: [LastName\_FirstName\_ConferenceTitle.pdf].

- Posters must be submitted by 31<sup>st</sup> April 2025. Late submissions may not be accepted.

#### 8. Key Dates

- Submission Deadline: 31st April 2025
- Notification of Acceptance: 16<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- Conference Dates: 28th & 29th June 2025

# 9. Review and Acceptance

- Posters will be reviewed based on relevance to the theme, originality, and quality of presentation.

- Accepted posters will be displayed throughout the conference. Presenters will be notified of acceptance by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2025 by email.

# **10.** Poster Viewing and Interaction

conference platform across the conference.

Posters will be accessible for viewing throughout the conference via the online platform.Presenters are encouraged to be available for answering attendee questions through the



- Attendees will also have the opportunity to leave comments and questions through the platform.

## **11. Copyright and Permissions**

Ensure you have the rights to use any copyrighted material (e.g., images, graphs).
By submitting a poster, you grant the conference the right to display it on the platform during and after the event.

## 12. Technical Support

- For assistance with submission or technical issues, please contact <a href="mailto:opsteam@thetogetherconference.co.uk">opsteam@thetogetherconference.co.uk</a>.

We look forward to your contributions and encourage all submissions to creatively engage with the theme of Blurred Boundaries: Sharpening Perspectives!