



11th EYFDM Forum: Abstract Submission Guidelines

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1.0 Call for Abstracts: Share Your Vision

The Scientific Committee of the 11th European Young Family Doctors' Movement (EYFDM) Forum warmly invites you to submit your work for presentation in Málaga, Spain. This forum represents a pivotal opportunity for young and future family doctors to share research, experiences, and innovations. As a collaborative event designed to bridge the national and European communities of young doctors, we are especially keen to welcome new voices.

Your contribution is essential to exploring our central theme, "**Global Voices for Local Impact,**" and shaping the future of primary care together.

To create a cohesive and impactful scientific program, we encourage submissions that align with one or more of the forum's four official subthemes:

- Building sustainable, fairer communities
- Digital innovation for human-centered care
- Giving weight to the patient's context and not just their symptoms and lab results
- Giving voice to young family doctors with clear leadership in transforming healthcare

We invite you to contribute to these vital conversations through the various submission categories detailed below.

2.0 Abstract Categories & Formats

The 11th EYFDM Forum welcomes a diverse range of submission types to capture the full spectrum of valuable work being done in primary care. This diversity ensures a dynamic and engaging scientific programs for all attendees.

To clarify the submission process, authors will first select a content category for their submission.

Option 1: Abstract as Core Program

Possible Formats: Workshops and Lectures

Deadline: September 30, 2026.

Option 2: Abstract as a Scientific Contribution

Possible Formats: Oral Presentations (15/5 min) and Posters.

Scope: Research Results, Research Projects, Case Reports and Clinical Experiences.

Deadline: October 15, 2026.

The Scientific Committee will then assign the final presentation based on the review process and program needs.

To ensure clarity for first-time participants, we have defined five presentation formats:

Workshops: 60-minute interactive sessions. These must focus on active learning, experience sharing, or debating, involving at least 3 presenters. You must describe the teaching methods used to engage the audience.

Lectures: Expert-led oral presentations on specific clinical, research, or professional topics.

Oral Presentations (15 or 5 minutes): Standard presentations of research findings, research projects, case reports or clinical experiences. The 15-minute format allows for detailed discussion, while the 5-minute format is for rapid-fire "elevator pitch" insights.

Posters: Visual displays of scientific work or practice-based reflections. These are displayed throughout the congress for self-paced viewing.

“The Linguistic Challenge”: At EYFDM, we value active communication as a key element of learning.

As part of *The Linguistic Challenge*, presenters are encouraged to deliver their session in a language that is **neither their mother tongue nor English**. This initiative aims to promote linguistic diversity, intercultural exchange, and confidence in real-life language use within a supportive environment.

Regardless of the presentation language, **the abstract must be submitted in English or Spanish**.

This challenge is entirely voluntary and is intended to create a safe and encouraging space to practice other languages. Fluency is not required; clarity, engagement, and willingness to communicate are what matter most. Participants are welcome to use visual aids or other supportive tools to facilitate understanding.

Submissions Not Accepted

Please note that the following submission types will not be considered for the scientific program:

- Study protocols or proposals for research where results are not yet available. Study protocols or research proposals without preliminary or final results at the presenting moment.
- Presentations that serve primarily as marketing opportunities for commercial products or services.
 - Abstracts submitted after the official deadline will not be considered and will be automatically excluded from the review process.

We look forward to receiving your submissions according to the key dates and deadlines outlined in the next section.

3.0 Key Dates & Submission Deadlines

This year, the forum is introducing an innovative two-phase submission process. This structure is designed to allow for better planning of the program's interactive sessions (Workshops and Lectures) while providing ample time for authors to finalize and submit their research-based and reflective work.

Two-Phase Submission System:

Submission Type	Deadline
Workshops & Lectures	September 30th, 2026
Scientific Contributions <i>Research Results, Research Projects, Case Reports and Clinical Experiences. (Oral presentations and Posters)</i>	October 15th, 2026

Please note: These deadlines are final. No extensions will be granted. We encourage all authors to prepare their submissions well in advance to ensure a smooth process.

Overall Timeline

Please mark your calendars with the following important dates:

- **Notification of Acceptance:** Authors will be notified of the Scientific Committee's decision by **December 2026**.
- **Presenter Registration Deadline:** Presenting authors of accepted abstracts must register for the forum by **January 10, 2027**, to be included in the final program.
- **Forum Dates:** The 11th EYFDM Forum will take place on **March 5th - 6th, 2027**.

Adherence to the following author guidelines is essential for a successful submission.

4.0 Author & Presenter Guidelines

To ensure a fair, transparent, and high-quality selection process, all authors are required to adhere to the following guidelines. Submitting an abstract signifies a commitment to the forum and its scientific community, and we thank you for your cooperation and dedication.

The official rules for abstract submission are as follows:

- **Language:**

- All abstracts must be written and submitted in **English** or **Spanish**.

- **Submission & Author Limits:**

- An individual may be the presenting author on a maximum of **three** abstracts.
- The maximum number of co-authors listed on a single abstract is **nine**.
- All workshop presenters must be listed as authors in the submitted abstract.

- **Presenter Commitments:**

- Submission of an abstract constitutes a formal commitment by the presenting author to present the work in person at the forum in Málaga.

- All presenting authors of accepted abstracts must register for the forum by the specified deadline. Failure to do so will result in the abstract being withdrawn from the scientific program.

- All expenses associated with the submission and presentation (e.g., registration fees, travel, accommodation) are the sole responsibility of the presenters.

- Research abstracts must have the authorization of the corresponding Research Ethics Committee (REC) or the Research Commission (RC) of the relevant institution. The REC authorization and the specific protocol code must be cited within the submission.

- In alignment with professional standards, all authors must upload a Declaration of Conflict of Interest during the submission process to ensure transparency. You may [download the template here](#).

Please ensure your abstract adheres to the specific formatting requirements outlined below.

5.0 Abstract Formatting & Submission Process

Consistent formatting is essential to facilitate an effective anonymous peer-review process and to ensure uniformity in the final publication of accepted abstracts. Please follow these mandatory rules for all submissions.

- **Title:** The title must be a maximum of 20 words. Please capitalize only the first letter of the first word (sentence case).
- **Word Count:** The abstract body (excluding title, authors, and keywords) must not exceed **350 words**.
- **Keywords:** Provide 3-5 keywords that accurately describe the abstract. The use of MeSH (Medical Subject Headings) Terms is strongly encouraged.
- **Subtheme Alignment:** Authors must select the primary forum subtheme (from section 1.0) to which their abstract is most relevant.
- **Anonymity:** To ensure a blind review process, do not include author names, affiliations, or any identifying institutional or commercial information within the abstract title or body.

How to Submit

All abstracts must be submitted exclusively through the official Forms that you will find in the [official website](#). Abstracts submitted via email, or any other method will not be considered.

6.0 Structured Abstract Templates

To ensure clarity, completeness, and ease of review, all submissions must follow a structured format. Please use the specific template below that corresponds to your chosen abstract category and include the designated headings in your abstract body.

Studies/ Projects / Reviews

- **Context:** Briefly explain the background and rationale for the study or review.
- **Objectives:** State the primary research question, hypothesis, or objective.
- **Methods:** Describe the study design, setting, population, data collection methods, and statistical analysis techniques used.
- **Results:** Present the main findings of the study or review clearly and concisely.
- **Discussion:** Interpret the results, discuss their implications, and acknowledge limitations.
- **Conclusion:** Summarize the key takeaways and their significance for family medicine.
- **Authorization of the corresponding Research Ethics Committee**

Case Reports / Practice-based Reflections

- **Context:** Describe the setting and background of the case or professional experience.
- **Description of the case/experience:** Provide a clear and comprehensive description of the situation, actions taken, and outcomes.
- **Originality:** Discuss the innovative or unique aspects of the case or experience in relation to existing literature or practice.
- **Lessons learned and future implications:** Reflect on the key lessons learned and how they could modify or inform future practice.
- **Discussion:** Interpret the findings of your reflection and their broader significance.
- **Conclusion:** Briefly analyse the overall impact of the experience.

Workshop / Lecture Content

- **Context:** State the relevance and importance of the topic for young family doctors.
- **Learning Objectives:** Clearly list what participants will be able to do or understand after the session.
- **Teaching Methods / Core Content Outline:** Describe the methods that will be used (for workshops) or outline the key topics that will be covered (for lectures).
- **Workshop Schedule:** For workshops, provide a brief timeline of the session's activities.
- **Expected Outcomes:** Explain the anticipated benefits for participants and their practice.
- **Conclusion:** Summarize the session's key message and its value to the forum.

All submitted abstracts will undergo the rigorous evaluation process detailed below.

7.0 Review Process & Evaluation Criteria

The 11th EYFDM Forum is committed to developing a high-quality scientific program. To achieve this, all submissions undergo a rigorous, anonymous peer-review process. Each abstract will be independently graded by at least two reviewers from the Scientific Committee based on a standardized set of criteria.

The core evaluation criteria applicable to all submission types are:

- **Relevance & Importance:** Does the submission address a relevant topic for young family doctors and primary care? Is the objective clearly stated and significant?
- **Clarity & Appropriateness:** Is the abstract well-written, clear, and concise? Is the chosen methodology or approach appropriate for the stated objectives?
- **Trustworthiness & Coherence:** Are the results, reflections, or learning plans credible and well-supported? Do the conclusions logically follow from the information presented?
- **Significance & Impact:** Does the work offer valuable insights for practice, policy, or education? Will the presentation be useful and engaging for the forum audience?

We thank all authors for their contributions and assure you of a thorough and fair review process.



8.0 Contact Information

On behalf of the Host Organizing Committee and the Scientific Committee, we are confident that your contributions will bring our theme of "Global Voices for Local Impact" to life. We look forward to receiving your work and collectively shaping the future of primary care in Málaga.

Should you have any questions regarding the abstract submission process or the scientific program, please direct all inquiries to: congresos@semfyc.es