



**FSC® General Assembly
2021-2022**
09-14 October

Call for Posters for FSC General Assembly

The [FSC General Assembly](#) is FSC's highest decision-making body where key decisions are made. The general assembly brings together leaders and decision makers from Indigenous peoples, environmentalists, businesses, and many others in FSC's membership to discuss a responsible future for the world's forests and the people and animals who inhabit them.

As the world faces challenges such as climate change, biodiversity loss, and inherent social inequities, forest stewardship is more important than ever. The 2022 FSC General Assembly will explore forest stewardship solutions as an enabler of healthy and resilient forests that create environmental, social, and economic value and benefits.

FSC is calling for submissions for abstracts for posters that illustrate ideas and examples of innovation, research findings, best practices and pathways that are relevant to the GA theme, to FSC Motions and / or to the FSC Global Strategy. FSC Members, researchers, practitioners, staff, network partners and other interested participants are invited to use the opportunity to present their ideas, research, or areas of interest through the posters which will be displayed at the event and online.

Interested? Follow the steps below to apply.

*Topics and reference materials for the posters:

- Shaping solutions for resilient forests: Forest stewardship solutions as an enabler of healthy and resilient forests that create environmental, social, and economic value and benefits
- Co-creating forest solutions for climate change, biodiversity loss and related global challenges
- Transforming forest solutions together to create benefit for Indigenous Peoples, communities, smallholders, and workers
- Demonstrating the value of forests, forest products and services as a catalyst for the Sustainable Development Goals
- GA 2022 [Motions](#) (page only visible for Members of FSC International)
- [FSC Global Strategy](#)



Step one: Submit your abstract for review

1. Your abstract should relate to one of the *topics listed above.
2. Submit your abstract **through our online template** by **22 July 2022**. The abstract should not be more than 2000 characters. Submissions will be accepted in English or Spanish.
3. You will receive an automated email once you have successfully submitted
4. When you have completed the technical submission process, please save a copy of your submission details.
5. Instructions on how to submit your poster will be sent to you if your abstract is accepted.

Specifications for abstract submissions:

Title: Maximum 200 characters including punctuation and spaces.

Format: Online template

Abstract: Maximum 2,000 characters including punctuation and spaces. (If your abstract is accepted, we will share more detailed info for the poster layout. The poster text can have up to 700 words.)

Step two: Review process

1. Poster abstracts will be reviewed by FSC, and feedback will be provided during the first week of August 2022.
2. Poster templates together with the specifications for the posters will be provided on acceptance of the abstract.
3. Submit your poster using the template by 22 August 2022.

Review and selection process criteria:

Each abstract will be reviewed and evaluated by the FSC GA review committee using the following criteria:

- Alignment to the FSC General Assembly agenda
- Relevance to the FSC Global Strategy and Motion themes



- Innovative partnerships or collaboration with other organizations and institutions as a model for FSC
- Innovative approach to membership and to certificate holder engagement and new findings related to certification or other strategy topics
- Scientific, technical or communications quality of the abstract
- Theoretical framework, conceptual rationale, or pragmatic grounding
- Clarity of expression and readability

In addition to the above criteria, the gender and intergenerational balance of authors, balance between academic/scientific and practical experience/projects and geographical balance and membership status will also be considered during the selection. Following the abstract review, authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to submit their full posters. Details on submission and formatting will be sent to authors when they are notified of their abstract acceptances.

Additional information

Accepted posters with exceptional quality may also be selected for display during a GA session or published on the FSC GA website or newsletter/publications.

By submitting a poster to the FSC GA, the authors agree that FSC may make changes to the template and layout of the poster, and minor editorial changes on the final poster. By submitting a poster to the FSC GA, the authors also agree that the poster can be published on the GA website and/or GA publications. The names and affiliations of authors, and the posters' titles and abstracts will be used to introduce the poster.