LEADERSHIP ELEVATED: TRAILS TO SUCCESS

The 2023 ACL Conference Committee invites proposals to feature in engaging and interactive concurrent sessions at the ACL Conference, 1 - 3 November 2023 in Asheville, North Carolina.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

To help consortia staff re-evaluate, innovate, and extend how they support the people and institutions they work with and each other, this year’s conference offers a highly interactive exploration of three paths to collaborative success:

- Base Camp: Foundations of Leadership and Collaboration
- Climbing & Scaling: Momentum & Confronting Challenges
- Views from the Summit: Aspirations & Successes

As you craft your proposal, a few examples of topics that your interactive presentation could address within one of these areas are:

- Base Camp: Foundations of Leadership and Collaboration
  - developing basic skills of non-profit leadership; effectively addressing operational issues; your most useful leadership resources, ideas, tools, questions to ask; leadership strategies to leverage collaboration; working constructively with competition; what to know when starting out (either as new in your position or as a new consortium); orienteering: how to monitor the landscape and climate

- Climbing & Scaling: Momentum & Confronting Challenges
  - navigating the political landscape; the role of consortia in supporting our member institutions as they both produce and are impacted by politics; staying present in the mind of people who need to remember they are part of a consortium; your workload management; addressing leadership transitions at your member institutions; synching with the 2023-2024 energy – so what’s the impact of AI and how can you leverage it for your consortium

- Views from the Summit: Aspirations & Successes
  - staying relevant; highlighting your Most Valuable Program (MVP); showcasing your consortium’s mission and vision; why members keep coming back (i.e., what do members find valuable about being in your consortium)

We invite all who facilitate collaborative leadership to use an interactive format and share your insights. We want to hear about your strategies, successes, failures, lessons learned, and recommendations. What you contribute at the conference through conversations and connecting perspectives helps ACL members lead better at all levels.

Proposals that address diversity, equity, and inclusion, as well as those that feature inter-consortial collaboration, will receive special consideration.
Presenters are invited to select one of the following session formats:

- **Facilitated panel discussion.** 60-minute interactive session. A moderator and two to four panelists engage with each other to show a diversity of perspectives around a single topic or question. Presenters are encouraged to engage with the audience through facilitated activities or small group discussions.

- **Topic specific session.** 60-minute interactive session. Individual or co-presenters describe a problem or challenge encountered, solutions explored, the chosen path or response, and lessons learned along the way. Presenters are encouraged to engage with the audience through facilitated activities or small group discussions.

- **Idea exchange session.** 15-minute interactive conversations. Presenters host an informal conversation in a drop-in room around a specific topic or question. Hosts are encouraged to prepare a brief digital handout containing framing context and discussion questions to help focus the group’s conversation and arrive at an actionable next step.

**WE ARE HERE TO HELP!**

Members of the conference planning committee are eager to help you brainstorm topics, audience engagement options, formats, or suggest co-presenters. Our goal is to create a wonderfully useful and engaging conference experience for collaborators at all levels. Please let us know how we can support your contributions to our shared endeavor!

Sincerely,

The 2023 Conference Program Committee