



Speaking at SDD 2019 – submission guidelines

If you're interested in speaking at SDD 2019 (which takes place from 20-24 May in London), please read through the following guidelines before submitting.

Deadline

The deadline for submissions is **28th September 2018**, so please send your proposals as detailed below by this date.

Conference format

SDD 2019 is a five-day event, with a core 3-day conference running from Tuesday to Thursday, and 1-day pre-/post-conference workshops running on the Monday and Friday.

You're invited to submit proposals for any or all of the following:

- **80-minute keynote session**
- **90-minute breakout sessions**
- **All-day pre-/post-conference workshops**

We are also considering the option of including a small number of shorter **40-minute breakout sessions** for the first time, so if you'd like to submit proposals for this format, you're welcome to do so.

Topics

We're interested in receiving proposals on any topic that you believe will be of interest to a professional software developer, web developer or software architect. There are no constraints on what this might encompass, as we don't pre-determine an over-arching theme for the conference, or decide in advance a fixed list of track headings.

Submission format

The following information will be required – please use our Excel template for your submissions, which can be downloaded from <http://sddconf.com/submissions/>. Please note that a number of the column headings in the spreadsheet have explanatory comments – just hover your cursor over any cell with a red triangle in the top right corner.

- A biography, including previous speaking & training experience, books authored, articles published, industry qualifications/accolades, relevant work experience, etc.
- A good-quality head & shoulders photo of you, ideally in JPEG format.
- A title and detailed abstract for each proposed session or workshop, ideally around 100 words max for a 40- or 90-minute talk, and 200-300 words for an all-day workshop.
- If there are any pre-requisites for your talk(s), or if your proposal (e.g. for a workshop) is for a hands-on rather than presentation-based session, please make this clear & include the relevant details at the end of the abstract.

Exclusivity

Ideally we'd like to put together a schedule consisting of talks and workshops that are exclusive to SDD 2019, at least within the UK. Therefore a degree of preference will be given to proposals from speakers who guarantee that they won't present the same sessions at any other event in the UK for at least 3 months before or after SDD 2019.

Code of conduct

All speakers at SDD events are required to adhere to our code of conduct, which is available here: http://sddconf.com/brands/sdd/library/sdd_code_of_conduct.pdf

Any questions?

If you have any questions that aren't answered above, please send an email to: nick-payne@outlook.com