Midwest Climate Summit 2024 Call for Workshop Proposals
Submission deadline: October 31, 2023

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1. First Name
2. Last Name
3. Email
4. Organization
5. Phone
6. Sector (select from the following)
   a. First Nation / Tribal Government
   b. Higher Education
   c. Local Government
   d. Non-governmental organization / not-for-profit
   e. State Government
   f. Other (please elaborate)
7. Your pronouns

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1. What is the format of your presentation/poster? (select from the following)
   a. **Full workshop session:** I will line up speakers and activities to fill the entire workshop session.
   b. **Panelist:** I would like to provide content on this topic and am willing to present along with other speakers on the same topic. (10 - 15 minutes) -- With this option, you will be notified of the other presenters ahead of time so you can coordinate your presentations if you’d like.
   c. **Lightning Round:** I would like to pitch an idea. (Feedback will be available on your pitch through the conference app)
   d. **Poster Presentation**
Depending on what you select above, one of the following questions will appear:

1. **Full workshop**: Which time length do you prefer for your session? (select from the following)
   a. 60 minutes
   b. 90 minutes

2. **Panelist**: Please list panelist names and affiliations. If you don't know these, we will need them by Feb 1.

3. **Lightning Round**: What is the ideal audience for your pitch?

4. **Poster Presentation**: Please share the abstract for your poster and how it relates to the vision of a carbon-neutral, climate-resilient, interconnected Midwest region.

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1. Workshop Title

2. Workshop description. Please briefly describe your proposal and include any outcomes or goals for the workshop, the intended audience, and whether it focuses on research, policy, or action. (1500 character limit)

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1. In a phrase or two, how does your workshop or poster relate to the MCC vision and mission?
   a. The MCC's vision is a carbon-neutral, climate-resilient, interconnected Midwest region. Its mission is to facilitate the development of a coherent Midwestern response to the climate crisis through acceleration of climate action, knowledge generation, and leader development led by a cross-sector collaboration of key organizations throughout the Midwest.

2. Which of the following tags apply to your workshop? (select all that apply)
   a. **Energy & carbon**: renewable sources, 24/7 production, job training, policy barriers, electrification, grid expansion, carbon capture, hydrogen, etc.
   b. **Food & Agriculture**: crop production, livestock operations, soil & water protection, carb credits, labor, urban agriculture, etc.
   c. **Transportation**: mass transit, EVs, bike & pedestrian-friendly communities, etc.
   d. **Buildings and housing**: retrofits, energy, benchmarking, building codes, affordable housing, etc.
e. **Equity & Justice**: Designing and using equity indicators, teaching about climate justice, incorporating equity principles in decision-making, etc.

f. **Nature-based solutions**: carbon sequestration, healthy communities, climate resiliency, etc.

g. **Human Health**: air quality, water quality, access to care, climate impacts, etc.

h. **Education**: curriculum development, job training, promoting science, etc.

i. **Emergency Preparedness**: readiness planning, equitable response and recovery, resiliency, etc.

j. **Other** (please specify)

3. Choose the type of workshop that best describes your proposal. (select from the following)
   a. **Skill-building**: participants will have an opportunity to learn or practice a new skill or advance their work on climate (e.g. grant writing, media training, advocacy, GIS story mapping)
   b. **Resource-building**: presenters will share information about available resources or support or participants will work together on collaborative funding ideas or proposals (e.g. presentation on how to access federal funds; collaboration on a specific grant proposal; funders share information on grants; or resource sharing, such as technical assistance available to NGOs, tribal governments, or municipalities)
   c. **Project advancement**: participants work together to advance a specific project by coming together to engage in a pre-planned work session. Activities could include: aggregating data, sharing the current status of a project and identifying next steps, or project planning. In this type of workshop, participants would likely already know each other or have coordinated prior to the summit and use this time to follow up on the next steps.
   d. **Idea-sharing**: multiple presenters/sessions around a theme will share new information with the goal of spurring action, finding collaborative partners, or identifying new applications for the information or research to accelerate climate action (e.g. share a recent report, innovative ideas to address climate change, or cutting edge research or tech). *If you would like to curate your own session with presenters please indicate that in the description, otherwise selected presentations will be grouped together by topic.*
   e. **Listening session/focus group**: presenters can use this time to solicit feedback or ideas from summit participants (e.g. opportunity for funders to hear from potential grantees, project developers to convene a focus group to share a prototype with potential users, or policy experts to ground truth an idea). Presenters should propose a workshop that will be mutually beneficial to the participants such that they will be invested in seeing their feedback heard and incorporated.

4. Is there a limit on the number of participants?
5. Are professional credits available for attending this presentation?
   a. Yes/no
   b. If yes, please specify. If available, the presenter will be responsible for providing all necessary paperwork.

6. In order to make the summit accessible to more people and to respect participation choices that reduce the use of fossil fuels, we are committed to offering attendees both an in-person as well as a comprehensive virtual option. For the participants, please indicate which accurately describes your workshop. (select from the following)
   a. The workshop is designed for In-person participants only
   b. The workshop can be hybrid (suitable for both In-person and Virtual participants)

7. Our preference is to have the workshop presenters provide in-person presentations; however, some virtually presented workshops will be selected. Please indicate which best describes the presenters of your workshop. (select from the following)
   a. In-person presentation(s)
   b. Virtual presentation(s)
   c. Combination of in-person and virtual presentations by workshop presenters

8. Your meeting room will be equipped with an LCD projector, screen, and computer. Please indicate any additional resources you anticipate needing in order to conduct this workshop? (i.e. facilitator, moderator, note-taker, white board, flip chart and colored markers, paper/pens, etc.)

MCC recognizes race and ethnicity are social constructs. The questions below may be difficult to answer and the choices may not represent you in the way you think about yourself. (This will not be considered in the evaluation process. This will inform self-analysis of our outreach efforts.)

1. Please check any of the following racial or social group members with which you identify.
   a. Asian | Asian American
   b. Black | African | African American
   c. Indigenous
   d. Latinx
   e. White
   f. Mixed or Multiracial
   g. Other racial identity
   h. Veteran
   i. LGBTQIA+
   j. Refugee or Immigrant
   k. Person with disability
l. Other social identity
   m. Prefer not to answer

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1. FINAL QUESTION: Is there anything else you would like to share about you, other presenters, or your presentation that would be helpful to the team?
2. Would you like to receive a copy of your responses?
   a. Yes
   b. No

All sessions will be recorded. If your presentation includes any proprietary information, please let the organizers know once you are selected.