

GLOC 2026 – Abstract Submission FAQs





- 1. When can I submit an abstracts submission for GLOC 2026? Abstracts may be submitted online at https://iafastro.directory/iac/account/login/ from 2 July 2025 to 7 November 2025 (23:59 CET).
- 2. What is the required structure for an abstract?

 An abstract consists of a title, author list and the abstract text.
- 3. What is the maximum number of words/characters my abstract can contain?

The abstract text is limited to 2800 characters (~400 words). The information of the author will appear automatically and should not be inserted. If your abstract exceeds this limit, you will be prompted to correct it before being allowed to continue. Use the tool bar on the right side of the page for any special symbols (like %) in plain text or the text in the PDF file may not display properly.

- 4. Can I include a table, graph or image in my abstract? It is not possible to include tables or graphs/images in the abstract.
- 5. Where can I read more about the GLOC 2026 Technical Programme?

 Detailed descriptions about the scope and objectives of each scientific track, as defined by the International Programme Committee, can be found here:

https://iafastro.directory/iac/browse/GLOC-2026/catalog-technical-programme

6. What are my options regarding presentation preferences? For GLOC 2026, all accepted abstracts will be featured as *Interactive presentation*s. There are no other formats.



7. What are the characteristics of an interactive presentation?

The Interactive Presentations' sessions provide presenters with a compelling way to showcase their work using advanced touch screens. This setup fosters ample opportunities for engagement and dialogue. Each session begins with a brief introduction from the authors, followed by small group discussions. Each interactive presentation lasts 10 minutes, including a Q&A segment. All presentations are eligible for the IP Competition, which will recognize the top three with bronze, silver, and gold awards at the conference.

The IP Awards will be announced at the Closing Ceremony.



8. How do I submit an abstract?

Before submitting an abstract, you are asked to create a profile at https://iafastro.directory/iac/account/login/. To submit abstracts, please login into your Congress Profile and click on "Submit your abstract for GLOC 2026" field in the Overviewtab. You will then see a link to enter into the abstract submission system.

SUBMISSION SYSTEM

- Submit your abstract for GLOC 2026
- Instructions
- Congress Browser (Lite)
- My Papers Archive
- Surveys and proposals

In the abstract submission system, please follow the steps 1-4 to create and submit your abstract:

- a) Select the Symposium and then the Technical Session.
- b) Enter your abstract title and text
- c) Submit your abstract

After an abstract has been created, modifications can be made until the submission deadline. After making your modifications, you need to submit your abstract again. No modifications can be done after the submission deadline.

9. My project is still ongoing and there are no results yet, should I still submit an abstract?

Abstracts are intended to present scientific studies, research, programmes, policies, etc. highlighting both the methods or description and results or recommendations. If you are describing a study that is still in the planning stage, it would not be suitable for an abstract submission, unless the method that you will use is, for instance, of scientific interest. However, if you are currently doing investigation and you only have initial data but it seems relevant or significant, please submit the abstract.

10. Can we use Chat GPT or Al Tools for editing and writing abstracts?

We value originality, uniqueness and high-quality science in our Technical Programmes. Al tools can improve readability and language of the work in the writing process (translation for example). Authors are responsible for carefully reviewing and editing the abstract to avoid incorrect, incomplete, or biased content. When submitting abstracts, authors must disclose the reasons for using Al and Al-assisted technologies, and a statement will appear in the published abstract.

11. Who selects the abstracts and decides how they will be presented?

All submitted abstracts will go through a blind peer-review process carried out by the International Programme Committee (IPC). The IPC makes the final selection of abstracts to be included in the Technical Programme.



12. I am not sure which topic my abstract should be submitted under?

Please review the keywords associated with each topic and choose the one that best aligns with your work. We understand that some abstracts may pertain to multiple topics. Session Chairs will have the discretion to reassign abstracts to the most suitable category.

If you are uncertain about the fit of your abstract in a particular session or are deciding between two sessions, please reach out to the IAF Secretariat at ipsupport@iafastro.org for assistance.

13. How many authors can I include in the author's list?

The number of co-authors per abstract is unlimited. A person can be listed as a co-author if he/she has made a substantive intellectual contribution to the submission.

14. I have submitted my abstract but now I realize that it contained a mistake and I need to revise it. Should I submit the abstract again online?

You can make changes to your abstract prior to the submission deadline by logging into the submissions site and selecting "edit abstract" option from the author menu.

15. May I submit more than one abstract?

Yes, you may. However, please be aware that duplicate abstracts are not allowed and will be removed. **One registration can cover the presentation of two accepted abstracts maximum**.

16. How do I know if it is properly submitted?

Once submitted, the uploading status of your abstract shall change into "abstract successfully submitted". You will NOT receive a notification of successful submission.

- 17. Will I be able to submit my abstract in language other than English?

 No, only abstracts composed in English will be accepted for review.
- 18. I am unable to attend the conference. Can I still submit an abstract for publication in the GLOC 2026 proceedings?

If you know for definite that it will be impossible for your material to be presented at the congress by yourself or a co-author/colleague, please do not make a submission. We do not allow papers/presentations to be published in the conference proceedings without an attending author as per the no show-no paper policy.

19. When will I know if my abstract has been accepted?

Correspondence informing you of the outcome of review will be sent to you and your co-authors by email in January 2026. This correspondence will inform you of the details of your presentation preparation as well as instructions for the submission of your presentation materials and full paper.

Please be aware that sometimes our e-mails do not arrive properly (usually because of spam protection). You will be able to see the acceptance of your abstract in the restricted area and you can ask us to resend your notification letter.

- 20. Do I receive feedback about my submission even if it is not accepted? In case of non-acceptance, a notification will be sent by email to the lead author.
- 21. When will I know the day and time of my presentation?

Authors of accepted abstracts will have the opportunity to select their preferred date and time slot through a dedicated time booking functionality on the IP editor. Please be aware that the conference dates are 2-4 June 2026, and that the IP sessions will take place on 3 and 4 June.

For technical questions regarding the abstract submission process, please contact the support team at ipsupport@iafastro.org





