

## CAIS Conference 2021 Information & Guidelines for Virtual Conference

Zoom links for each day of the conference will be sent via email the day before to all registered and paid participants. It is expected that recipients do not share the link(s).

Zoom links will be sent for opening & closing remarks, plenary sessions, regular sessions, roundtables, and the Annual General Meeting.

Please ensure that you are a registered Zoom user and have downloaded the app before the conference.

**Please note that no sessions will be recorded for CAIS Conference 2021.**

### Information for Virtual Sessions:

The session organizer will be granted host access; the chair of the session will be granted co-host access; if these roles are played by the same person, a presenter in the session will be made a co-host.

Panelists will be able to share their screen during the session to facilitate presenting.

No papers will be read in absentia.

All participants will need to be present on the virtual screen to read their papers.

For 3 person sessions: each speaker shall be allocated 20 minutes

For 4 person sessions: each speaker shall be allocated 15 minutes

Meetings are set by default as "mute" and "no video" for all participants. Please make sure to turn on your video and to unmute to intervene.

Session Chairs will decide how or when to allow the audience to intervene. By default, everyone can ask questions via chat, raise their hands via the "raise hand" button or unmute themselves to intervene directly. The Chair will inform the audience which of these options is preferred or whether to use them all.

The allocated time for all panels is 90 minutes. Panels are scheduled to be 1.5 hours long to allow conference participants a quick break in between meetings. For speakers, please remember to abide by the time you were given so as to ensure ample discussion.

Please be mindful of the timing. This format was designed to minimize the time spent on Zoom during the conference, to incentivize participation in more panels as well as in the several events that are scheduled throughout.

The meeting will end automatically after 90 minutes.

### **Information for Roundtables:**

The Moderator will be granted host access for the roundtable.

Everyone will be able to share their screen.

Participants are expected to have content to present. The premise is that the audience will assist in a live presentation (no pre-recorded presentations) and that a live discussion will be hosted.

At the start of the roundtable, the moderator should introduce the topic discussed as well as the participants to the audience, then allow the participants to present their content, following which the moderator will open the floor to discussion.

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The allocated time for roundtables is 90 minutes. Please be mindful of the timing as conference attendees will have a quick break in between meetings.

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### **Need assistance?**

Please write us an email at [italian.conference@ryerson.ca](mailto:italian.conference@ryerson.ca) if you need assistance during the live panel. We will respond promptly.