

## **ITRS 2018 Call for Papers**

It is time to submit your presenter proposals for the **2018 International Technical Rescue Symposium!**

This year's event is occurring *November 1-4, in Portland, Oregon*. Details can be found at <http://itrsonline.org/>

Please consider sharing your latest research, experiences, and testing with others – just like you - in the rescue field. If you know someone willing to present a topic that the ITRS community would enjoy, please share this information with them *now*. ITRS is gathering persons from across the spectrum of rescue disciplines to share theoretical and practical news and views on:

- Controversial Issues
- New Equipment
- New Developments in Gear Technology
- Research and Testing Results
- Technique and Systems Discussions
- Medical Considerations in Rescue
- Analysis of High Angle Accidents
- Developments in Helicopter Rescue
- Swiftwater Rescue topics

### **ITRS 2018 Presentations Proposals**

Anyone interested in presenting at ITRS 2018 can access the required Presenter Forms at <http://itrsonline.org/presenter-info/> or request it by email at [program@itrsonline.org](mailto:program@itrsonline.org). The deadline for submitting a presentation proposal is **August 20, 2018**. Once the completed paperwork has been received, the ITRS Program Committee will review and respond to proposals by September 1. Final Proceedings Papers (2-8 pages total in length) will be due by **October 1, 2018**.

### **ITRS 2018 Presentation Awards**

To encourage and reward excellence in presentations, the Symposium offers a "Presenter Award" program. The program is intended to award and acknowledge presenters who give presentations which reflect experience in facts and data (rather than opinion or conclusion); choice of topic (applicable to field work); and state of the art technical rescue. After the final presentation, attendees will have opportunity to vote on the presentations based on six categories, with one award going to each category. Each winner will receive a \$200 honorarium.

### **ITRS 2018 Poster Sessions**

Posters are a great opportunity to share your technical rescue material in a more personal, conversational setting. Go to <http://itrsonline.org/> to get the guidelines for poster presentations.

### **Limited Enrollment**

In order to encourage an informal flow of information involving all participants, enrollment has been limited to 170 persons. If necessary, a waiting list will be available.

### **ITRS Sponsors**

The International Technical Rescue Symposium is presented jointly by Pigeon Mountain Industries (PMI), Inc. and CMC.

ITRS 2018 is co-sponsored by the Mountain Rescue Association (MRA), National Association for Search and Rescue (NASAR), Society of Professional Rope Access Technicians (SPRAT), and the National Cave Rescue Commission (NCRC) of the National Speleological Society.

Thank you for your consideration in presenting your topic at the International Technical Rescue Symposium in 2018. We look forward to your participation and for contributing to the ITRS community!