

ITRS 2020 Call for Papers

It is time to submit your presenter proposals for the **2020 International Technical Rescue Symposium!** This year's event is occurring *Thursday, November 5, - Sunday, November 8, in Denver, Colorado*. Details and registration 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 a gathering of 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 Presentation Proposals

Anyone interested in presenting at ITRS can access the required Presenter Forms at <http://itrsonline.org/presenter-info/>. Please type or paste your information into the forms, save it to your computer and send the completed form to Program@itrsonline.org. If you fill out the form and scan it, then we have to retype all of the information. There will be two presentation deadline dates. The first deadline for submitting a presentation proposal is **Monday, June 15, 2020**. The ITRS Program Committee will respond to proposals by June 30. Presentations approved by June 30 will get scheduling preference and first opportunity for registration grants which are limited in number. The second deadline is **Monday, August 10, 2020** with a response by August 25. Final Proceedings Papers (2-8 pages total in length) will be due by **October 1, 2020**. Registration Grant Info available at <http://itrsonline.org/grant-info/>. If you qualify, please send completed grant forms to Program@itrsonline.org **no later than August 31**.

ITRS 2020 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 vote on the presentations based on six categories, with one award going to each category.

ITRS Poster Sessions

Posters are a great opportunity to share your technical rescue material in a more personal and conversational setting. Go to <http://itrsonline.org/presenter-info/> and click on "Poster Session Info" to get the guidelines for poster presentations.

Limited Enrollment

To encourage an informal flow of information involving all participants, enrollment has been limited.

ITRS Sponsors

The International Technical Rescue Symposium is presented jointly by PMI and CMC.

ITRS 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 (NSS).

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