



2019 Annual MAASTO Meeting

Call for Abstracts

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) on behalf of the Mid-America Association of State Transportation Officials (MAASTO) invites you to submit abstracts for presentations to be considered for the 2019 Annual Meeting to be held in Indianapolis on August 12-14. The 2019 annual meeting will welcome delegates from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin. The annual meeting presents delegates with an opportunity to learn about the latest trends in transportation as well as a chance to network and exchange ideas for the benefit of our industry. Abstracts are currently being accepted from MAASTO departments of transportation for the following topic areas:

- Innovations in Mega Projects
- Performance Management
- Freight Mobility
- Financial Management
- Human Systems
- Innovations in Field Operations & Maintenance
- Social Media & Mobile Applications
- Asset Management/TAMP

Descriptions of these topics can be found on the opposite page.

Abstract Submission Deadline: January 31, 2019

Complete abstracts include the following:

- Abstract title
- Abstract text—500 character limit, including letters, numbers, symbol and spaces—no tables, graphs or photographs
- Clearly indicate which of the eight topic areas your abstract focuses on (topics listed on reverse side)
- Contact information for co-authors as applicable
- Email abstracts in .PDF format to: **MAASTO2019@indot.in.gov**

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- **Innovations in Mega Projects** – Creative methods of financing, procurement, contracting, inventive teaming, engineering and project delivery.
- **Performance Management** – Innovative ways of collecting realistic, measurable performance goals to increase efficiency and ensure proper use of resources.
- **Freight Mobility** – Topics may include special use lanes, congestion, reliability and safety; differential versus uniform regulatory speed, intermodal/integrated systems, intra-city and rural dimensions, economic and quality of life matters and environmental sustainability.
- **Financial Management** – Topics include changes and challenges ahead, emerging and best practices, conventional and innovative funding sources, interaction with FHWA and local partners, determining and communicating funding needs and relationship to asset and performance management.
- **Human Systems** – This section will explore the people side of transportation with topics ranging from legal, communications, human resources and talent management. This topic examines how these human factors shape our performance.
- **Innovations in Field Operations & Maintenance** – This track examines best practices and/or where management systems, metrics, etc have provided guidance on the prioritization of these services and how they are funded. Opportunities for topics may include unique methods of obtaining equipment, products or services (rent vs. buy, sponsorships, partnerships); use technology; new materials/devices, etc.
- **Social Media & Mobile Applications** – Innovations in communicating and receiving communication from the travelling public.
- **Asset Management/TAMP** – Consider issues regarding strategic and systematic process of operating, maintaining, upgrading and expanding physical assets effectively throughout their lifecycle. Innovative enhancements in how we focus on our assets, improve their condition and maximize their performance.