

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS OF POSTER ABSTRACTS USING L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

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### ABSTRACT

This set of instructions for producing an extended abstract for a poster presentation at the 2016 Winter Simulation Conference (WSC) with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X also serves as a sample file that you can edit to produce your submission. Please follow the guidelines herein when preparing your poster abstract. Failure to do so may result in a poster being rejected, returned for appropriate revision, or edited without your knowledge.

### 1 INTRODUCTION

This paper provides instructions for the preparation of an extended abstract for a poster presentation at the 2016 Winter Simulation Conference (WSC) using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X. There is a companion paper that provides instructions for the preparation of extended abstracts using Microsoft Word.

**The easiest way to write an abstract using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X that complies with the requirements is to edit the source file, `wsc16poster.tex`, for this document.** The style of this document is based on the special paper class file `wscposterproc` which is selected by using `\documentclass{wscposterproc}`.

An author kit is available online via the [conference website](#) (Winter Simulation Conference 2016). The author kit includes this L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X document and its Microsoft Word companion.

This document was typeset using `pdflatex`, which allows you to use certain graphics file types that are not allowed using the outdated `latex-dvips-ps2pdf` route.

### 2 LENGTH AND CONTENTS OF EXTENDED ABSTRACTS

The extended abstract will be strictly limited to a maximum of 2 pages. The first page of the extended abstract will be formatted the same as a proceedings paper. The title will appear in BOLD UPPERCASE text. The title is followed by the author names and affiliations.

Each extended abstract will have a one paragraph abstract that will be limited to 150 words. This one paragraph abstract will also appear in the final program for the 2016 Winter Simulation Conference. Following the abstract, the content of the extended abstract may be broken down into one or more numbered sections with appropriate section titles.

Finally, if appropriate, the extended abstract may have a references section that appears at the end of the document. The references section is not numbered. The references section is included in the two page limit for the extended abstract. Due to space limitations, extended abstracts will not include author biographies.

### 3 FORMAT OF EXTENDED ABSTRACTS

The general format of the extended abstracts will follow the same formatting requirements as WSC proceedings papers for all of the required elements (title, author information, abstract, section titles,

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