



# 2nd International Conference on the Social Contexts of Science Interdisciplinarity and Technology Assessment

12-13 May 2025 at Wrocław University of Science and Technology, Poland

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## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

**Submission Deadline:** 15 March 2025, 23:59 CEST

For submissions and more details, please visit: [www.scs.pwr.edu.pl](http://www.scs.pwr.edu.pl)

### Conference Theme

The 2nd International Conference on the Social Context of Science invites scholars, researchers, and practitioners to explore the critical intersection of science, society, and technology. This year's conference focuses on "Interdisciplinarity and Technology Assessment" with the aim of fostering dialogue and collaboration on how these approaches can address complex global challenges and shape a more responsible and sustainable future.

### Conference Tracks

The conference will feature three main tracks:

1. **Foundations of Interdisciplinarity:** This track delves into the theoretical and practical dimensions of interdisciplinary research, exploring its epistemological foundations, methodological approaches, and the role of philosophy and ethics in fostering collaboration across disciplines.
2. **Technology Assessment in Action:** This track examines the diverse methods and applications of Technology Assessment (TA) in various domains, including healthcare, environment, and emerging technologies. It will showcase case studies, real-world labs, and advanced methods like agent-based modeling.
3. **Science, Society, and the Future:** This track explores the broader implications of interdisciplinary research and TA for addressing societal challenges, promoting responsible innovation, and shaping the future of science and technology in a rapidly changing world.



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## Abstracts Submission

We invite submissions of abstracts for presentations within the conference tracks. Abstracts should be no more than **3500 Characters** (with spaces) and clearly articulate the research question(s)/hypothesis, methodology, key findings, and implications of the work. All accepted abstracts will be published in a **Book of Abstracts** that will be published online on the conference website in Open Access form.

## Submission Topics

We encourage submissions from various disciplines, including but not limited to:

- Implications of research
- Science and technology studies
- Philosophy of science and technology
- Ethics (research ethics, ethics of new technologies)
- Computational social science
- Social epistemology
- Sociology of science
- Engineering and technology management
- Engineering and technology assessment
- Environmental studies
- Public policy
- Communication studies
- and related topics are welcome

## Presentation Format

Accepted abstracts will be presented in dedicated sessions within the respective tracks. The presentation format will be oral presentations, each of 10 minutes + 5 minutes of Q&A.

## Submission Guidelines

- Abstracts should be submitted electronically through the form available on the conference website: [www.scs.pwr.edu.pl](http://www.scs.pwr.edu.pl).
- Abstracts should adhere to the conference theme and fall within one of the conference tracks.
- Abstracts can be based on research that has been published, is under review, or is a work in progress.
- We encourage researchers from Science, Engineering and Technology, to present the social implications of their research.



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## Important Dates

- **Abstract Submission Deadline:** 15 March 2025
- **Notification of Acceptance:** no later than 25 March 2025
- **Early-bird Registration Deadline:** 31 March 2025
- **Registration Deadline:** 15 April 2025
- **Conference Dates:** 12 and 13 May 2025

## International Staff Week and Erasmus+ Mobility

This conference is an integral part of the international staff week taking place from May 12th to 16th, 2025, under the Erasmus+ program. Participants interested in attending the conference are encouraged to register for the full staff week to benefit from Erasmus+ mobility funding opportunities from their home institutions.

Participants whose abstract will be accepted for presentation, can indicate their interest in participating in the whole staff week. We will send the information on how to proceed with it. Please note that participants would have to apply for Erasmus+ mobility at their home institution. We will provide the necessary documentation to support their applications.

We look forward to receiving your submissions and welcoming you to the 2nd International Conference on the Social Context of Science.

Attending the conference solely as a listener is possible. Please visit <https://scs.pwr.edu.pl/Registration> for more information.

**For any inquiries, please contact the conference secretariat at [scs@pwr.edu.pl](mailto:scs@pwr.edu.pl).**