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|  | **Forest School Research Symposium**  **‘The Interdisciplinary Perspectives, Practices and Principles of Forest School’**  **June 26th – 28th 2024**  **Call for Papers** |  |

Forest School has attracted international attention from researchers and academics over recent decades. It is increasingly celebrated for its potential for change on an individual level as well as societal level.

This is an opportunity for researchers to be part of a new academic community focusing on Forest School. This Symposium offers space to present your research and to explore existing and upcoming research in a diverse array of disciplines that inform the Forest School ethos and pedagogy.

This first International Forest School Research Symposium will welcome and bring together researchers and academics from all disciplines relating to Forest School. This Symposium is dedicated to promoting empirical inquiry and advancements, debates about theory, practice and methods as they relate to Forest School.

We invite abstracts that connect to (but are not limited to) the following areas:

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* Benefits of Forest School
* Interdisciplinary theoretical links
* International spread of Forest School including insights and comparisons
* Socio-ecological sustainability through nature connection
* Pedagogical insights in relation to Forest School delivery
* Forest School delivery and practice with diverse populations
* Methodological approaches and considerations in relation to Forest School

This conference is being hosted by The University of Liverpool in partnership with the Forest School Association, the professional body for Forest School in the United Kingdom. The event will be held at the University of Liverpool, located in the bustling city of Liverpool in the North West, UK from the 26th – 28th June 2024.

For more information on the symposium please visit <https://forestschoolassociation.org/forest-school-research-symposium/>

**Abstract submission deadline: 31st October 2023.**

**PRESENTATION FORMATS**

* Presenters must register for the Forest School Symposium and pay the required fee by 31st March 2024. Presenters shall attend the conference and deliver in person.
* Presentations will be given in English.
* Presentation formats include oral presentation, workshop and poster presentation.
* Oral presentation should be 20 minutes, followed by 10 minutes for questions and discussion with audience.
* Workshops will be 1.5 hours
* There will be timetabled slots (an hour) for poster presenters to engage with conference delegates around their posters.

**SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

* Abstracts must be submitted by email to: [symposium@forestschoolassociation.org](mailto:symposium@forestschoolassociation.org) The deadline is 31st October 2023.
* The submission form will ask for the Title, Authors and Affiliations, Abstracts (maximum 300 words excluding references), Keywords (3-5), and Type of Presentation (oral, workshop, or poster). Further details on formatting below.
* Abstracts will undergo a peer review process by members of the Academic Committee.
* All submitters will receive notification of acceptance, rejection, or revisions of their proposals by 31st January 2024
* If revisions are required, the modification and resubmission should be completed by 28th February 2024.

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**Is this a student presentation?** Yes No

**Are you a Forest School Practitioner doing research?** Yes

Please see further information about how you can get involved on the website

**Choose Presentation Format:**

Oral Presentation

Workshop

Poster Presentation

**CONFERENCE PROCEEDING**We will publish an e-book of conference abstracts and send it to participants by e-mail before the conference.