Manuscript Submission Guide  
Canadian Quality Congress

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General Selection Criteria

- The papers must show examples, practical applications, cause and effect, case studies
- Should be original material
- Should be relevant to a business audience
- Must have a well-defined focus within one of the Congress themes and be focused on business improvement / business capability building / best (or good) practices
- The technical content should be appropriate and used correctly
- Content should advance the management and quality profession and its body of knowledge
- Those selected as speakers must submit a final paper and PowerPoint file for inclusion in the conference proceedings. They must also sign a copyright release form to Canadian Society for Quality.

Instructions for Creating Manuscripts

Authors of invited and contributed papers are requested to format their manuscript as follows:

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<th>Congress theme:</th>
<th>Indicate the theme/area(s) which your paper is most aligned to the Congress theme? The Congress’ themes/areas are shown on the Call for Papers web page.</th>
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<td>Paper or Abstract?</td>
<td>The maximum length of a paper allowed is 8 to 10 pages long (excluding references and appendices). In addition, an abstract should be provided for between 150-200 words. If you are only submitting an abstract then it should be up to 500 words in length.</td>
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**Page 1 - Abstract**

This should be a summary of the paper describing its purpose; methodology/approach; findings; research limitations/implications (if applicable); practical implications (if applicable) and the originality/value of paper written in a very concise and clear manner. Check out a sample of typed paper on website.

**Pages 2-9 Content of paper**

Contributors should specify the practical implications of their work. They should specify:

- Background and content;
- Objectives, i.e. what you were trying to do;
- The salient events;
- The results, and how they were obtained; and
- Discussion and Implications for others (what can businesses learn from this).
- Summary and Conclusions

As a guide focus on operational strategies, innovative practices, models, tactics, metrics, and measurement methods addressing how to make improvements happen (including lessons from unsuccessful initiatives). Ensure that your paper fits at least one of the Congress themes. Whilst more conceptual / vision pieces are welcome, they generally will comprise a minority of the Congress presentations.

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