



Oral & Panel Presentation Preparation – Next Steps

8 May 2026

Congratulations again on your acceptance to GHS2026!

We are looking forward to welcoming you soon to Kuala Lumpur, and as you will be able to see from the online programme, we have a tremendous conference and series of side events planned.

With approximately four (4) weeks to go before the conference, we're now writing to let you know some further information about the format of oral or panel presentations.

What you can expect...

Each panel is comprised of **three (3) speakers** and a **moderator only**.

As each panel is **50 minutes duration**, each speaker will have approximately **8-10 minutes** to present their work. We ask that you respect this timeframe, so that there is sufficient time for questions and answers/audience engagement.

An additional 10 minutes has been built into the conference programme to allow for any final remarks or conversations, and to provide people with sufficient time to get to the next session.

We will be sourcing the moderator for your panel and introduce your moderator and fellow panellists via email approximately 1-2 weeks from the start of the conference on Tuesday 9 June 2026. If you have a preferred moderator who is already attending the conference, please email us by May 15th. The moderator may then discuss further specifics with you and your fellow panellists, including the order of presentations, key observations, etc.

Although A/V equipment will be available, we find the best conversations happen without slides — so we encourage presenters to speak freely and engage directly with attendees. This is based on consistent feedback from conference delegates attending GHS2019, GHS2022 & GHS2024.

The aim of the conference is to help break down siloes and barriers that have arisen over decades between different disciplines and sectors. Visual presentations tend to distract people's attention from the content of a speaker's remarks – they focus on what is on screen rather than what is being said. We ask that slides be used only where essential for presenting data, and limited to no more than three per presenter.

If you do need to use visual presentation software, please notify your moderator so this can be taken into consideration in planning the order of presentations. You will also need to ensure that

you arrive early to upload your slides. Please use a USB stick and ensure it has been virus-checked with antivirus software prior to use.

Venue

The venue for the GHS2026 conference and related side events is the **Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre**, which is located at 50088 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

All conference rooms will either be set in “theatre style” (i.e. seated in rows) or in “cluster style” (i.e. seated at round tables of 8-10 persons). This is because there are additional events planned throughout the conference, including sponsored lunches that you will be able to register to attend. Rooms have thus been set up to serve multi-functional purposes.

Please **do not** rearrange seating arrangements, as this will likely disrupt conference activities.

An AV technician will be available initially to help you set up. Basic AV services are included, such as slide show capabilities and local Wi-Fi.

We will have limited storage capacity onsite if bags or suitcases need to be stored, but they **must** be collected at the end of the business day. Any items left overnight will be forfeited, and we are not responsible for any theft.

See you in Kuala Lumpur soon...

Should you have any further questions, please let us know. Please remain patient for any reply and refrain from sending multiple emails regarding the same topic, as we are obligated to respond to each email and duplicate requests only serve to delay timely responses.

With all these disclaimers, etc, now out of the way, let me express again my thanks on behalf of the Steering Committee for your interest in GHS2026. We look forward to welcoming you to Kuala Lumpur!



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