Call for Sessions: 2023 January ESIP Meeting (Jan 23-27, 2023)
Opening Doors to Open Science

We have opened the session proposal portal for the 2023 January Earth Science Information Partners (ESIP) Meeting to be held online. The deadline for submission is 11:59 pm PT on Friday November 11.

One of the special aspects of the ESIP Community is the degree to which our participants are connecting across disciplines to discover mutual interests and opportunities for collaboration. Many of these conversations originate in sessions hosted at ESIP Meetings. Collaboration is at the heart of what sustains the community and that starts with hosting engaging sessions that encourage participants to interact with concepts and information, as well as each other.

That's why we're continuing to invest in training that helps our organizers learn new ways to integrate interactive learning methods into their own session's design. We strongly encourage session organizers to leverage one or more of these learning opportunities described below.

Timeline & Support

3 Nov.	Open Office Hour: Share your session idea with ESIP Staff (3 pm ET) This session will be especially geared toward 1st-time session proposers. Find connection info on the [ESIP Telecon Calendar]().
11 Nov.	Session proposal submissions due by 11:59 pm PT
21 Nov.	Notification of acceptance and time slot duration: Most sessions will be 90 minutes with a few 60- and 150-minute sessions offered by invitation and based on clear need.
Early Dec.	Session design workshop & start individual session design coaching sessions
21 Dec.	Final session descriptions & anticipated speaker list due for online program
Early Jan.	Open office hours/drop-in design consultations
6 Jan.	Final confirmed and registered speaker list due for online program
23-27 Jan.	ESIP January Meeting

You will be notified if your proposal has been accepted by November 21 with the details finalized by December 21. It takes time to create, organize, and polish high-quality sessions - *especially when it's a group's concept*. We encourage you to use the time between acceptance and December 21 to work with co-organizers and speakers to really dial-in on the specifics of what topics/themes/speakers you are including and how each will contribute toward the key outcomes you want to see from your session.

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There will be help: a session design workshop, open office hours consultations, and optional one-on-one design consultations and facilitation support.

More About Session Design Support
- **Session Design Workshop:** A workshop for session organizers will cover different methods to organize, design, and facilitate more engaging and interactive sessions. *More details will follow submissions.*
- **Individual Session Design Consultations & Facilitation Support:** After acceptance, you will receive an invitation to schedule a time to get personalized, one-to-one, session design support from consultant, Charley Haley. These calls are there to help you to get organized with your co-hosts and hear ideas & suggestions about how/where to incorporate participant engagement components into your session.
- **Open Office Hours/Drop-in Design Consultations:** Open Office Hours will be offered after session organizers have had an opportunity to attend a workshop and clarify how they want to design and include participants in their session's activities. This is a time to stop by, toss around options, and ask specific questions of Charley & Megan.

Session Submission
Not all sessions are guaranteed acceptance. Session proposals will be prioritized based on:

- Clarity about the session's purpose, objectives, and benefit to participants;
- Value to ESIP areas of interests;
- Relevance to this year's theme, **Opening Doors to Open Science**. Contributions on any aspect of this theme are welcome. If you would like to discuss how your idea fits with the meeting theme, please reach out to staff@esipfed.org.

Remember, the more information you can provide, the easier it is for the right people to find YOUR session (e.g. specific datasets, technologies, expected skills for workshops, etc.).

Submit your session here.

To see other submitted sessions, visit here.

Presenting in a Breakout Session
If you would like to present in a session rather than lead a full session, please review the list of submitted sessions and either contact the session organizer(s) directly or contact staff@esipfed.org to help put you in contact with the relevant session organizer.

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Present a Poster or Demo

If you would like to present a demo/tutorial or poster during the Research Showcase, you can indicate this when you register for the meeting.