

FOSS4G SotM Oceania Conference

2024 Request for Proposals

Overview

With [FOSS4G SotM Oceania 2023 coming up in October](#), it's time to start thinking about the conference in 2024.

Letters of intent will be accepted from potential Conference Committees from anywhere in Oceania. Letters will be reviewed by the OSGeo Oceania Board and that group will engage with the potential committees to develop a draft budget and more detailed proposal. Proposals will be voted on by the Board before the decision is made and announced at the conference in Auckland.

Important Dates

- **Release RFP:** September 15th, 2024
- **Letters of intent due:** October 9th, 2022
- **Questions and proposal development:** October 9-16th
- **Decision announced:** 19 October, 2022.

Letters of Intent

- Limited to maximum of 2 pages containing:
 - Who is the conference chair and who are the initial members of the organising committee?
 - What is the experience of your committee members with similar events?
 - What is your proposed venue and dates?
 - What makes your location and your team compelling?
- [Example from 2019](#) Oceania event
- [Example from 2022](#) Global event
- [Example from 2023](#) Oceania event
- Email to oceania-board@lists.osgeo.org.au

Important notes

- FOSS4G SotM Oceania will be supported by the OSGeo Oceania Board including financial and technical infrastructure (email, ticketing, marketing and so on)
- The event should aim to deliver a modest surplus with sponsorship and ticket sales delivering break even as a worst case
- A travel grant program will be supported with finance and admin from OSGeo Oceania
- Previous events have run in-person and hybrid-remote with over 200 registrations.