



FCSM Research and Policy Conference

March 7-9, 2018 · Washington, DC

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Federal Committee on Statistical Methodology (FCSM) is planning a combined research and policy conference to be held at the **Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC on March 7-9, 2018**. The conference provides a forum for experts from around the world to discuss and exchange current research and methodological knowledge relevant to statistical programs and to discuss related issues in statistical policy.

About half of the concurrent sessions will emphasize both statistical policy and technical research papers in the following areas that are currently receiving special emphasis from the FCSM and the Federal Statistical System:

- Data quality in integration of multiple sources (administrative and commercial records as well as surveys)
- Federal, state and local research data centers and data clearinghouses
- Public access and open data
- Disclosure limitation
- Measurement and reduction of respondent burden
- Access, management and statistical analysis of State and Federal program data
- Policy analysis
- Human resources and skill development

The remaining concurrent sessions will highlight technical research papers on a variety of cross-cutting issues of importance to the Federal Statistical System such as:

- Survey design and data collection
- Estimation and analysis methods
- Survey evaluation
- Big data and official statistics
- Impact of the global economy on national statistics
- Special issues related to establishment surveys
- Design and analysis of longitudinal studies
- Measurement issues
- Geospatial statistics
- Economic measurement concepts and techniques and development of economic statistical indicators
- Statistical literacy and communication of results

Submission Instructions: Participants are encouraged to submit original research papers and organized panels that focus on topics outlined above, and that will have a broad appeal. Participants should not submit abstracts that simply describe a data collection program or are highly specialized. Participants can submit an individual paper or an organized session. An organized session should include 3-4 papers with a discussant. To submit an abstract for consideration, use the template and instructions found at <http://fcsm.sites.usa.gov/> or www.copafs.org for your submission.

Deadline: Submit the abstract via email to fcsm.conf@gmail.com as soon as possible, but no later than **August 29, 2017**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Please note that authors and presenters are responsible for their travel expenses, but the registration fee is waived for one presenter per paper.

To obtain conference information, or to be included on the mailing list, contact:

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