The Centre for Translation Studies at the University of Vienna in cooperation with the Board of ÖSDV – Austrian Association of Speech-to-text Interpreters is delighted to announce the next edition of the biennial European Conference of Speech-to-Text Interpreters (ECOS) on PostPandemicPerspectives to be held in Vienna, Austria from 26 to 28 August 2022.

Aim and scope
The European Conference of Speech-to-Text interpreters aims to bring together researchers, practitioners, language service providers and other stakeholders within the field of speech-to-text interpreting (STTI).

At the ECOS 2022, we focus on the working conditions and how they have changed because of mainly working online due to the pandemic: what are best practises within the community for the different techniques and how to charge for remote services? Have user requirements and preferences changed as well and are there new scientific studies on that matter? And, what about interlingual STTI and further training possibilities (intra- and interlingual STTI) once you completed your formal education – so, how to stay relevant to new skills and technology?

Along with the presentations and posters, a round table for national and international STTI associations will be part of the conference as well as networking sessions and a cultural program.

Topics
We welcome a broad spectrum of conceptual, methodological, empirical, and practical contributions from various backgrounds relating to the conference.

Suggested topics for presentations and posters include, but are not limited to, the following:

- different STTI settings, both within the public and the private sector: establishing working conditions and calculation of fees thereof
- online / remote settings: best practices for different STTI techniques (conventional keyboard, speech recognition, Velotype)
- interlingual STTI, including Plain / Easy language
- usability – user requirements and preferences for live text produced by STTI
- further training possibilities for beginners and advanced practitioners (recommended for poster session)
Submission of abstracts

Submissions are invited for 30-minute presentations (20 minutes presentation and 10 minutes discussion) as well as for posters. Abstracts should be submitted in English and contain no more than 500 words in length (excluding references and 3–5 keywords) and clearly state the research question(s) and/or goals of presentation.

Please send your abstract to the conference organizers (ecos@oesdv.at) by 28 February 2022, both in .DOC/.DOCX and .PDF formats.

Conference language

English

Location

Centre for Translation Studies, University of Vienna, Gymnasiumstraße 50, 1190 Vienna, Austria

Registration fees

- Early-bird regular fee (general): € 150
- Early-bird reduced fee (students): € 85
- Regular fee (general): € 185
- Reduced fee (students): € 120

The registration fee includes access to the full conference program including all coffee breaks and the lunch on Saturday as well as the social program on Saturday and Sunday.

Accommodation is not included in the fee, but we have a special arrangement with Hotel Zeitgeist in Vienna (https://www.zeitgeist-vienna.com; Double room – € 130, Single room – € 91). Please contact booking@zeitgeist-vienna.com for more information (reservation code: ECOS 2022).

Registration

Please register for the conference online: https://whova.com/portal/registration/inper_202208/

Further information

For our conference we will use an app called Whova. There you can find useful information about the venue and logistics, view the agenda, access all documents, and, of course, also network with other participants.


Key dates

- Deadline for submission of abstracts: 28 February 2022
- Notification of acceptance (via e-mail): 31 March 2022
- Early-bird registration until: 31 March 2022
- General registration until: 15 June 2022
- Conference dates: 26–28 August 2022

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