

43rd EuroQol Plenary 2026

22 – 25 September | Lisbon, Portugal

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Below you will find key information regarding the **Call for Abstracts for the 43rd EuroQol Plenary 2026 (22-25 September) in Lisbon, Portugal**.

Eligibility for Abstract Submission

The EuroQol Plenary Meeting is primarily intended for members of the EuroQol Group. However, we also welcome submissions from non-members whose work is of clear relevance to the development, application, or advancement of EuroQol instruments, and/or who are collaborating with EuroQol Group members.

Please note that first authors may submit a maximum of three abstracts.

Development of the Scientific Programme

Scientific Chairs

Fatima Al Sayah and Bernhard Michalowsky have been appointed by the EuroQol Executive Committee to develop the scientific programme and to chair the 43rd EuroQol Plenary 2026.

Abstract Submission and Review

Submission requirements and instructions are available via the [EuroQol Abstracts Submission Portal](#). All submitted abstracts will be reviewed independently by members of the EuroQol Group. Reviewer ratings will form the basis for decisions regarding acceptance or rejection, and for allocation to either paper or poster discussion sessions.

Accepted Submissions

Authors of accepted abstracts will be required to submit a finalized version of their paper or poster by the specified deadline. The Scientific Chairs will review all accepted submissions to ensure clarity, quality, and alignment with the accepted abstract.

Authors may be contacted to make revisions where necessary. The Scientific Chairs also reserve the right to exclude papers or posters that do not meet the required standards, including submissions that exceed the word or page length limits or that substantially differ from the content of the original abstract.

Programme Composition

Approximately 24 papers and 21 posters will be accepted for presentation and discussion at the meeting. The final programme will aim to ensure representation from all EuroQol Working Groups.

Key Topics of Strategic Interest to the EuroQol Group

The EuroQol Executive Committee has established several Working Groups (WGs), each responsible for advancing specific components of the EuroQol scientific agenda. These include the Valuation, Descriptive Systems, Youth, Populations, Health Systems, and EQ-HWB WG. A summary of each WGs activities and research priorities is available [here](#).

Prospective authors are strongly encouraged to review these summaries prior to submission. They outline areas of strategic priority and may help identify opportunities for alignment with ongoing or planned EuroQol research.

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Scope and Expectations for Submissions

Abstracts reporting only on clinical or economic applications of EuroQol instruments in specific disease areas or sub-populations (e.g., routine economic evaluations) are usually not accepted, unless they include methodological innovations or insights with broader relevance to the EuroQol Group. Examples of suitable contributions include, but are not limited to:

- Methodological developments related to EuroQol instruments, including the EQ-5D, EQ-HWB, EQ-TIPS, and the bolt-on toolbox.
- Conceptual advances in generic-based health-related quality of life measurement.
- Broader perspectives on the use of EuroQol instruments in clinical practice or health-care decision making.

Submissions that are likely to stimulate scientific debate, challenge existing assumptions, or introduce new ways of thinking about established issues are particularly encouraged.

Registration

Registration and programme information will follow later. If you have any specific questions about the upcoming 43rd EuroQol Plenary 2026 in Lisbon, Portugal, please contact [Mandy van Reenen](#).

Timelines	
Sunday 3 May 2026, 23.59 CEST	Deadline for submitting abstracts
4 – 17 May 2026	Review and selection of abstracts
Friday 22 May 2026	Abstract acceptance/ rejection notification
Sunday 12 July 2026, 23.59 CEST	Deadline for submitting papers and posters