

FireNZ 2026 Call for Papers



If you are involved in the fire industry and would like to present, we encourage you to submit an abstract and get involved in your industry conference

As both a Conference and Tradeshow, Fire NZ continues to be the largest and most influential fire protection event in New Zealand.

The Fire NZ program provides opportunities for local and international industry participants to report on the most recent developments and research achievements in all aspects of the industry.

We are calling for papers from engineers, contractors, designers, academia, manufacturers and industry experts. If you are in the industry and feel you can present an interesting and well received topic, we encourage you to submit an abstract and get involved in your industry conference.

FireNZ is now seeking abstract submissions from authors wishing to present papers at Fire NZ 2026, 8-10 September in Christchurch, New Zealand.

SPEAKER BENEFITS

All main stream speakers will receive free one day registration on the day of their presentation. This is limited to one speaker per presentation and does not extend to co-presenters.

ABSTRACTS

The 2026 Conference Program Committee will review all abstracts and make final speaker selections based on level of innovation, quality, relevance, focus, practical application, and timeliness.

Abstracts must be submitted by 30th April 2026 although early submission is encouraged.



8-10 SEPTEMBER 2026 • TE PAE • CHRISTCHURCH • NEW ZEALAND

MORE INFORMATION:

If you would like to speak, present or participate in FireNZ 2026, please contact info@fpanz.org

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT GUIDE

Thank you for your interest and support!

FireNZ 2026 will be held in Christchurch, New Zealand 8th – 10th September 2026. The conference is once again presented by the Fire Protection Association of New Zealand, the Society of Fire Protection Engineers NZ Chapter, and the Institution of Fire Engineers New Zealand Branch.

Our annual FireNZ national conference has established a reputation as the premier fire industry event for keeping abreast of advancements in all aspects of fire safety in New Zealand.

The conference is an opportunity to look at advancements and developments in the field of fire safety, and promotion of the core values of professionalism in the industry.



AUDIENCE

The participants at this conference will be:

- Professionals involved in fire safety engineering, design and review of fire safety design, regulations development & enforcement, standards development, and developers of engineering design methods;
- Fire safety contractors involved in testing, installation, and inspection of fire safety systems and evacuation strategies;
- Firefighters and other Fire and Emergency staff.

SFPE Sponsorship

SFPE offers some sponsorship opportunities to young engineers and/or students who wish to present at or attend the FireNZ Conference – if this is something you would be interested in please get in touch at secretary@sfpe.org.nz.

A Call for Papers form will follow soon for emerging engineers who would like to participate in the conference with a 15 minute presentation as part of the SFPEX initiative.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Those wishing to present should submit a ~250 word abstract for selection by 30th April 2026 using the submission form on page 3. This will be published in the conference brochure.

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If accepted, an invitation to present at the conference will be sent by 28th May 2026.

SPEAKER REQUIREMENTS

- All presentations must be submitted by 16th July 2026, presentations not submitted may result in the presenter being withdrawn.
- Speakers to advise if their presentation is to be made available following the conference to paying delegates of the conference.
- Speakers and presentations may be photographed and or videoed and all media will be the property of FireNZ.
- By submitting this application I/We agree to the terms outlined in this document

PRESENTATION

- In order to retain your assigned presentation time slot, you must submit your final presentation slides by the presentation deadline 16th July 2026 for review by the FireNZ committee. Failing to send your presentation in on time for review could see you forfeit your allocated time slot to another presenter.
- The FireNZ conference PowerPoint slide template will be provided and must be used to ensure 16:9 display format and font compatibility.
- Speakers will also be supplied full technical requirements for presentation slides, including (but not limited to) maximum words per slide, size and type of fonts. These requirements are to ensure that presentations display correctly, and conference delegates get a good viewing experience. Unfortunately, some previous presentations have proved difficult to view or have required last minute changes to fit the technical display requirements.
- The committee reserves the right to modify or replace presentations that do not meet the requirements outlined in this section.
- Speakers commit to presenting original content which has not been presented at any other event in NZ in the 12 months prior to FireNZ 2026.



FireNZ 2026 Venue: Te Pae Conference Centre, Christchurch



PRESENTATION ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM



DEADLINE 30th APRIL 2026

CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION
www.firenz.org

This application form must be filled out completely in order to be considered.

Submit abstracts to the team at info@fpanz.org and include **"FireNZ Conference 2026 Abstract"** in the subject line of the email, **no later than 30th April 2026**.

Presentation abstracts should provide sufficient detail regarding scope, results and application to determine the quality and applicability of the engineering concepts that would be presented. References may be included. Presentations must be noncommercial in nature. **Presentations are expected to be 25 minutes in length with 5 minutes for Q&A. Longer time slots might be given on request based on the quality of the presentation topic.**

CHECKLIST

- ☐ YES ☐ NO
 Have you presented at FireNZ previously?
 - ☐ YES ☐ NO
 I agree for my presentation to be made available to FireNZ delegates after the conference
 - ☐ YES ☐ NO
 I consent to being photographed during my presentation
 - ☐ YES ☐ NO
 I have read and agree to all the submission, speaker and presentation requirements on page 2

If YES, what years? _____

PRESENTER DETAILS

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Bio (no more than 250 words)

CO-PRESENTER DETAILS (if applicable)

Title

First
Name

Last
Name

Designation (eg. *PhD.*, *PMSFPE*, *CPEng* etc)

Job Title

Company

Email

Phone: ()

Mobile:

Bio (no more than 250 words)

PRESENTATION

Presentation Title:

Time Required:

Presentation Program Abstract (no more than 250 words which will be used to promote program if selected):