



Participants

- Consider where and how you will advertise the event (channels, location, formats) in order to attract a diverse range of participants and attendees in the chemical sciences.
- Consider your current criteria for shortlisting speakers and session chairs – suggest more potential speakers and chairs from underrepresented groups.
- Ensure your invitations use inclusive wording. Avoid requesting that a speaker demonstrate 'excellence in the f eld'; instead, consider their valuable experience and skills.
- Actively select a diverse range of speakers and session chairs.
 For example, the Royal Society of Chemistry's policy is that women must make up at least a third of speakers and chairs at all RSC-sponsored events.
- Collect diversity monitoring data. We would be happy to share good practice on get in touch with us at
- Establish and make clear your zero-tolerance approach to harassment. Provide a clear and well-publicised code of conduct that makes specific reference to protected characteristics, for example the _______, and a tick box that signals the registrant agrees to abide by it.
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Venue

Sensory considerations

- Consider how to mitigate sensory issues for attendees
 with access needs, for example: lighting too bright, too
 low or fickering; background noise, including low-level continuous noise or fragranced air fresheners.
- Ensure that there is a working hearing loop (you can purchase or hire portable hearing loops if not



Event format

- Consider switching onsite events to hybrid events.
 Alternately, make onsite events accessible remotely by livestreaming or providing a recording afterwards.
- Provide a clear programme as far in advance as possible.
- Build regular 'access breaks' into the event programme, for example, a 5–10 minute rest break every 60 minutes, or a 15-minute break every 90 minutes.
- Give people a choice as to whether and how they engage with others. Some people need a break from communication. For example, make it possible for people to opt out of networking or breakout discussion activities.
- Provide alternative ways to ask questions, such as via a physical question box, social media hashtag,

Audience engagement



Did you know?

Research has found that

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Review