

Smart City Expo LATAM Congress

Call for Speakers 2027 - 12th edition

Participation Guidelines

Participation in this call implies full acceptance of its rules

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Created in 2011 by Fira Barcelona, Smart City Expo World Congress has become the leading Smart Cities event worldwide. Thanks to its success, many cities around the world have shown interest in organizing their own editions of the event. As a result, SCE editions were launched abroad and are now present on four continents.

The largest of all the international editions of the event is Smart City Expo LATAM Congress, which will celebrate its 12th edition on March 10, 11 and 12, 2027.

The event brings together under one roof leading experts and leaders from cities across Latin America, along with companies, entrepreneurs, start-ups and research centers, to discuss strategies for making our urban world smarter and more sustainable.

In 2027, the event will continue its commitment to increasing the presence of organizations, exhibitors and visitors from across LATAM and around the world, fostering synergies, sharing knowledge, debating, reflecting and inspiring new actions around Smart Cities. Through this Call for Speakers, participants will have the opportunity to take part as speakers at the Congress.

Objective

This call seeks the most relevant contributions, innovative initiatives and solutions within the framework of sustainable, inclusive, equitable, safe, healthy and collaborative cities. Its objective is to enable those interested in speaking at the event to submit their proposals to participate in Smart City Expo LATAM Congress, to be held on March 10, 11 and 12, 2027, and to join one of the sessions in the Congress program.

Who can participate?

The call is aimed at public-sector organizations and entities that have implemented projects in Latin America: cities, social entrepreneurs, non-profit startups, research centers, universities, civic technologists, representatives of civil society, non-governmental organizations, social cooperatives and social activists; with innovative ideas, research, analyses, studies, visions and solutions for the management and development of our cities. Please refer to the specific conditions for each category in the following section.

This call does not allow participation by private companies or for-profit organizations.



Categories

This section presents the categories for the 2027 edition and a guide to the main keywords that will be considered for participation in the Congress. You may apply to one or more categories that most closely relate to your proposal. Presentations must address one or more keywords from this list. We recognize that some keywords overlap across different categories. Please contact the organization if you have any questions.

Categories 2027	Keywords
INNOVATION AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION	Artificial intelligence / emerging technologies / data / automation and digital solutions / data-driven cities / digital infrastructure and connectivity / digital twins and urban modeling / GovTech and innovation ecosystems / IoT
GOVERNANCE AND EQUITY	Governance and public management / public innovation / citizen participation and co-creation / transparency, accountability and public trust / equity and inclusion / territorial governance / social cohesion / accessibility / affordable and resilient housing / social innovation / civic culture
SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE RESILIENCE	Climate change / energy transition / sanitation / water / circular economy and waste management / biodiversity / urban resilience / climate adaptation / green infrastructure / regeneration of urban ecosystems
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT	Investment attraction and retention / knowledge economy / technology clusters / entrepreneurship / territorial competitiveness / innovation districts and development hubs / talent and new skills / business attraction / knowledge transfer
MOBILITY AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	Public transport / electromobility / territorial connectivity / active mobility / public space and urban quality / urban regeneration / regeneration of city centers and neighborhoods / proximity urbanism / data for mobility planning
SECURITY AND SMART INFRASTRUCTURE	Public safety / urban monitoring / evidence-based planning / comprehensive risk management / public lighting / command, control and operations centers / use of data and predictive analytics / protection of critical infrastructure / sensors and connectivity



Organizers

This call is organized by Smart City Expo LATAM Congress.

Submission of proposals

To participate, complete the online form. Proposals must be submitted electronically through our official website and must comply with the terms and conditions set out herein.

The organization reserves the right to request any clarification or additional information regarding submitted proposals. No additional documents will be accepted beyond the form unless requested by the organization. A maximum of one proposal per author and organization is permitted.

Deadline

All applications must be submitted by December 31, 2026, at 23:59:59 (Central America Time).



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Evaluation process

The evaluation process is divided into two phases:

a) Compliance and preselection criteria

The organization will conduct an initial evaluation to verify whether the proposal meets the defined requirements and selection criteria.

b) Selection of winners

The organization, together with a technical committee of experts, will evaluate the projects and select the winners in each category to participate as speakers in one of the Congress sessions.

The number of proposals per category and topic is subject to consideration by the organizing committee.

Selected candidates

The notification date for selected speakers is pending confirmation by the organization.

The selected speaker proposal will be eligible to participate in one of the main Congress program sessions in a panel format.

Please note that only the main speaker named in the submitted proposal will be eligible to present as a speaker at the Congress.

The selection process considers both the content of the proposal and the profile of the speaker who will deliver the presentation at the Congress. The organization reserves the right to accept or reject any speaker substitution. Please note that substitute candidates will only be accepted if they belong to the same organization and hold a similar job title and function.

All speakers in this category will receive a three-day pass to the LATAM Congress.

Being selected as a speaker does not imply receiving any financial assistance from the organization for flights and/or accommodation.



Intellectual and industrial property rights

The participant is responsible for the authorship of the submitted proposal; the participating organization is the owner of the intellectual property rights and, where applicable, the industrial property rights.

The participant is responsible for ensuring that the submitted proposal does not infringe intellectual property rights, industrial property rights, copyright and/or image rights, and assumes full responsibility with respect to third parties. The organization is released from any liability.

If the proposal is preselected, the participant authorizes the organization to disseminate, reproduce and publish the proposal in any format and through any medium for the purpose of promoting Smart City Expo LATAM Congress.

Questions and suggestions

For any questions and/or suggestions, please write to the following email address:
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