



## Writing Research Event 2014: Conference on Writing Research

Amsterdam, 27-29 August 2014

The University of Amsterdam and Utrecht University are joining forces to organize a large writing research event in the summer of 2014. From 27-29 August we are hosting the Conference On Writing Research 2014 in the city of Amsterdam. This conference will be preceded by a two-day research school for junior researchers in Utrecht. We are looking forward to facilitate the gathering of writing researchers from all over the world: established researchers as well as new and upcoming talent.

Our aim is to continue the lively discussions on writing research in the tradition of the EARLI SIG Writing Conferences since 1988. Our motto: Writing is fun, writing research is even more fun!

### Call for contributions Conference On Writing Research 2014

We invite writing researchers to submit both empirical and theoretical proposals for symposia, paper presentations, short presentations, and expert meetings. The scope of the conference is writing in the broadest sense; however, we especially welcome contributions on effective instruction in writing, measuring text quality/writing processes/writing skills, writing in academic and professional contexts, and new forms and definitions of writing like multimodal text.

### Proposal submission is open from September 1, 2013 to December 15, 2013

For more information on submission and registration procedures visit our website:  
[www.cowr.org/registrations/](http://www.cowr.org/registrations/)

### Conference formats

- **Symposia** provide an opportunity to present one topic from multiple perspectives. A symposium is proposed by one or two organizers, who select a thematically coherent set of 3 papers and provide a discussant and a chairperson. Contributions combining research from different universities are preferred. Symposia organizers should submit summaries (max 350 words) of the selected papers as well as an abstract (max 350 words) in which they integrate the papers into a coherent framework.

A symposium is scheduled for one and a half hours: 20 minutes per speaker (15 minutes presentation, 5 minutes question time), 15 minutes for discussion by the discussant, and 15 minutes for open discussion, moderated by the chairperson.

- **Paper presentations** are presentations describing a completed piece of research, including data and results. Theoretical papers can also be submitted for presentation. The submission should describe the research, including results, in no more than 350 words. Paper sessions are grouped in sessions of 4 papers: each presenter is allotted 15 minutes for presenting, followed by 10 minutes for discussion, moderated by a chairperson.
- **Short presentations** involve a 5-minute presentation of a completed piece of research or research in progress, followed by individual poster interaction and discussion. The poster (A0 format: 841 mm X 1189mm) provides a visual presentation of the conducted research. Submissions for short presentations should describe the research, including (preliminary) results, in no more than 350 words. Short presentations are thematically grouped in sessions of 6 presentations: after a plenary 5-minute oral presentation of each poster (projected on a screen), there are 30 minutes of individual poster interaction, followed by 30 minutes of plenary discussion, moderated by a chairperson.
- **Research meetings** offer opportunities for discussing research issues. Presenters explain their research issue, and participants are invited to discuss this issue. Presenters should submit a summary (max 350 words) of the research in which they clearly state the issue they want to discuss. Expert meetings are scheduled for one and a half hours: presenters are allotted 45 minutes each to explain and discuss their research issue.

## COWR 2014 Schedule

First call	May 10, 2013
Second call	September, 2013
Submission open	September, 2013
Start registrations	September, 2013
Deadline for proposals	December 15, 2013
Proposals reviewed/confirmed	March 1, 2014
Deadline for early bird registration	April 1, 2014
Deadline registrations	May 15, 2014
Deadline cancellation*	May 31, 2014
Conference programme available	June 15, 2014
Research School	August 25 – 26, 2014
COWR 2014	August 27 – 29, 2014

\* Cancellation policy: <http://cowr.org/general-terms/>

## Website

[www.cowr.org](http://www.cowr.org)