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#### Instructions and Suggestions for Pre-Recorded Presentations 2021 Virtual IEEE Aerospace Conference

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#### Key Dates

- Final paper deadline: 15 Jan
- Open for presentation upload: 16 Jan
- Presentation deadline: **1 Feb**
- Reviews of presentations by SOs due: **14 Feb**
- Final deadline for presentations that require changes: 27 Feb
- Conference Opens 6 Mar



#### Instructions

- Presentations should last 20 minutes
  - We will ask you to re-record or will truncate your presentation if it goes long please be aware of the time
  - The template you use is at your discretion most presenters use the standard template that their company/project uses
  - You can make your presentation in any format that you'd like (.ppt, .pdf, etc.) since you will be projecting it and we will be saving the .mp4 video file
- First slide visual bio
  - Leave up for ~15-20 seconds
  - No talking your slide should introduce <u>YOU!</u>
- Introduce your presentation with a standard title slide
- Leave your contact info up on the last slide for ~15-20 seconds
  - Thank everyone for listening
  - Encourage them to contact you if they have questions either using the chat functions available from the conference or directly through your email/phone
- Use the AeroConf website (which relies on Zoom in the background) to record your presentation
  - More details on the next slide

### How to Record Your Presentation

- It is recommended that you have Zoom installed on your computer, and you are signed in
  - There are instructions for how to record your presentation using a web interface to Zoom if you are unable to install Zoom on your computer
- \*\*\*Details with screenshots are available in the instruction document\*\*\*
- Sign in to <u>www.aeroconf.org</u> and navigate to the paper for which you want to record a presentation
- Click on "Add New Video Presentation" and a Zoom meeting window will open
- Share your screen, enable audio and video
- Record your presentation
- Stop sharing your screen and click "End Meeting For All"
- The Zoom interface window will close and you'll see the conference website
- You'll get a "waiting" message for a minute or two while it saves, and then you'll see "recorded"
- It will be saved as an .mp4 file on the AeroConf server
- You can watch the video again, and re-record as many times as necessary (only your top 5 will be saved, if you need more than that, please delete one before trying to record another one)
- Once you are happy with your presentation
  - Submit your final version by clicking on "Submit for Review"

## After You Submit Your Presentation

- Your Session Organizer will spot check it for satisfactory audio/visual quality (we can hear and see you, your slides are progressing as expected, etc.) and length
- They will accept or reject the presentation and have the ability to provide comments (as appropriate)
- You will receive an automated email from the AeroConf system indicating if your presentation was accepted or rejected
  - If it was accepted, you're done!
  - If it was rejected, please review the comments and correct the items necessary and upload a new version
- We will make it available to conference registrants and will also link it in a "play list" with the other presentations in your session so participants can listen to all presentations back-to-back in a session if desired

## Suggestions

- Smile! 🙂
- Take your time!
  - Speak slowly and clearly
- Stand when you present
  - This will help you project
- Have good lighting from behind your computer (not behind you) to light your face
- Use a GOOD QUALITY microphone.
  - We cannot accept videos with substantial background noise, hissing or voice that's not clear
- If possible, have someone listen to your presentation while you give it
  - In the room: friend, spouse, cat, dog
  - Remotely on Zoom or over the phone: SO, colleague, etc.
- Try, try again!
  - You can re-record your presentation as many times as it takes to get it perfect!

# Top 10 Tips for Polished Presentations

- **1. Remember the audience is not out to get you.** You have information to share, and they are in that room because they want to learn it. Acknowledge your expertise (at least to yourself).
- 2. Think conversation not presentation. We are all more comfortable talking to someone about something (opposed to presenting) that's all you're doing (just to a few more people). Think of this as a conversation with a lot of people.
- **3.** Use your voice. Think about what you want to emphasize and use pitch, pace and volume to add meaning to your words.
- **4. Use your body.** Use your hands and facial expression to infuse power into the presentation.
- 5. Use your words. Key phrases such as "If you remember one thing..." can help call attention to important information.
- 6. Stay positive. Choose words that are neutral or positive in your phrasing. If you are going to use judgmental language make sure it is
  has a positive conclusion.
- 7. Talk to the audience. Not to the wall, the floor, or the slides.
- 8. Maintain eye contact. This helps the presentation feel conversational, maintains audience attention and projects confidence. Look directly at your camera so that your audience feels like you're speaking to them.
- 9. Use silence. A powerful way to draw audience attention is to stop talking. Use pauses throughout to emphasize information and allow the audience to process the content.
- 10. Practice, practice, practice it kicks fear's butt every time.

# Thank you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me!

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