

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We are pleased to invite you to submit your work for the Research Symposia of the upcoming 9th Biennial ISTFP Conference. We will meet in Vienna (Austria) on June 4-6, 2026.

The deadline for submission is **February 28, 2026**. Below, you will find all the information to submit abstracts. You will also find information about the ISTFP Research Award.

Research Symposia have always been a lively part of ISTFP conference programs, and we are looking forward to receiving your contributions!

This time, we will also have a poster session, so please check out this opportunity for submission too!

Best regards

Emanuele Preti

Chair of the ISTFP Research Committee

[Abstract Submission](#)

Please note that submitting abstracts for the scientific symposia and poster presentations is now possible.

Abstracts must be in the English language. You may submit an individual presentation (oral presentation or poster) or propose a panel presentation.

Please submit your abstracts with no more than 250 words before **February 28, 2026**, following the instructions below. You will receive notification of acceptance by March 31, 2026.

[ISTFP Research Award 2026](#)

For the 7th time, the ISTFP Research Award is offered for scientific work focusing on Transference-Focused Psychotherapy or the theory/ideas related to TFP. Original research papers, books, or other forms of publications on theory, implementation, diagnosis, efficacy, psychotherapy process, teaching and training, or supervision are considered if they have not yet been published or have not been published before 2024.

Individuals or research groups can apply for the award or be nominated by someone else. Nominees do not have to be ISTFP members. Applications/ nominations should include (a) a letter of application/ nomination, (b) an electronic version of the research (preferably pdf), and (c) a curriculum vitae of the applicant(s)/ nominee(s). All documents should be provided in English and sent by e-mail to the Chair of the ISTFP

Research Committee, Emanuele Preti (emanuele.preti@unimib.it). The deadline for submitting applications/ nominations is **February 28, 2026**. The award comprises € 1,000 and will be handed over at the 9th ISTFP conference in Vienna. The winner will be notified by March 31, 2026 and should commit to participating in the conference, as they will give a talk on the awarded research.

ISTFP 2026: Instructions for abstract submissions

You may submit a) an Individual Presentation (oral presentation or poster) or b) propose a Scientific Symposium.

a) Individual Presentation (oral presentation or poster)

Please use the attached template (Template_Individual oral presentation or poster).

Your proposal should contain:

- Title of the Individual Presentation
- Type (oral or poster)
- Name of presenter
- Names of co-authors
- Abstract of the presentation (in English, no more than 250 words)

b) Scientific Symposium

Please use the attached template (Template_Scientific Symposium). Note that each Symposium should be composed of 4 to 6 presentations.

Your proposal should contain:

- Title of the Scientific Symposium
- Chair
- Title, presenter, co-authors, and abstracts (in English, no more than 250 words) **of each presentation** within the Symposium

Please submit your Individual Presentation or proposal for a Scientific Symposium by March 31, 2026, using the following link:

https://psicologiaunimib.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b3orXaluXzdHMsC

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