

**Instructions to Authors Submitting Presentations, Posters, and Papers  
to the  
28th Working Meeting of the IUCN SSC Crocodile Specialist Group**

**Agadir, Morocco, 13-16 May 2026**

These instructions apply to participants who wish to make an oral or poster presentation at the, as well as those who also wish to submit a manuscript for publication in the Proceedings of the 28th Working Meeting of the IUCN SSC Crocodile Specialist Group. The Program and Proceedings, including compilation of all presentation Abstracts and submitted manuscripts, will be produced directly from electronic files. It is therefore important that authors follow formatting instructions carefully. Failure to comply will result in abstracts/manuscripts being sent back to you for reformatting.

**KEY DATES**

**Deadline for Presentation Abstracts:** 31 January 2026, abstracts must be submitted online at: [www.csg-morocco2026.com](http://www.csg-morocco2026.com)

**Notification of Acceptance:** 28 February 2026

**Poster Submission Deadline:** Bring your poster to the Working Meeting and submit to organizers upon registration.

**Deadline for Manuscripts for Proceedings:** 30 June 2026

**PRESENTATION GUIDELINES**

***Presentation Topics***

1. The Scientific Committee invites presentations on any topic related to crocodilian science, *in* and *ex situ* management, and trade globally, including field, lab and experimental research, management, trade, ranching/farming, zoos, and IUCN Red List, among others.
2. We will have keynote addresses around the following topics, and invite related presentations to structure sessions around the following themes, including participation in a panel discussion with the keynote speaker:
  - a. Keynote Speaker Dr. Jose Brito - Crocodilians in extreme and dynamic environments;
  - b. Keynote Speaker Dr. Jeremy Lemaire - Ecotoxicology and emerging environmental contamination threats to crocodilians;
  - c. Keynote Speaker Dr. Catherine Carr - Auditory physiology and cognition of crocodilians.
3. We also invite interested participants to submit ideas for other thematic sessions, including organizing colleagues who may want to present and participate in a panel discussion to also submit abstracts for consideration (see Abstract Submission Format below).

### ***Oral Presentation Guidelines***

1. Oral presentations will be limited to 10 minutes with 5 minutes for questions and discussion. This equates to +/- 10-15 slides.
2. All presentations are to be given in Powerpoint format. If you do not have access to Powerpoint, you can make your presentation using [Google Slides](#) or [Open Office's Impress](#).
3. Please prepare the presentation in English. For translation assistance we recommend using [DeepL](#).
4. Presentation files must be submitted to the workshop organizers no later than the morning of your session.

### ***Poster Presentation Guidelines***

1. Posters will be hung in a display hall at the Working Meeting venue from the day of registration and will be available for attendees throughout the meeting.
2. We will hold a poster session on one of the meeting evenings where poster presenters will be available to talk about their work with the other attendees.
3. **Size and Layout:** Posters should be paper size A0 (841mm x 1189mm) and in portrait orientation.
4. **Title:** The title should be the same as in the submitted abstract. Your name and institution should also be displayed on the poster.
5. **Content Size:** All text lettering should be large enough to be legible at a distance of 1.5 m.
6. For additional guidance and suggestions for how to make effective posters, we suggest you [look at this guidance](#) from the Society for the Study of Reptiles and Amphibians. This [video](#) is also a good resource.

### ***Virtual Presentations***

1. We will consider the possibility for interested individuals who cannot attend the Working Meeting to present either orally or a poster via Zoom or other internet based presentation technology. See Abstract Submission Format below.

## **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORMAT**

**Document Type:** We will accept abstracts in either Word or PDF format. Do not forget to submit through the portal linked above.

**Font:** Times New Roman. The presentation title should be in capital case, 14 point bold font, and centered. All remaining text should be 12 point font and justified alignment, except the authors and addresses, which should also be centered under the presentation title.

**Paper/Margins:** Page setup should be set for A4 (210 x 297 mm) paper. All margins should be 2.5 cm (1").

**Spacing:** The document should be single spaced with no space between paragraphs of the same style, though please manually add a carriage return between paragraphs.

**Example:** Please follow the example below and provide all of the indicated information.

### **Crocodilians of the World**

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**Abstract:** The abstract (12 point, single space) should follow the authors' addresses. An additional abstract in an alternate language is acceptable, but not mandatory. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words.

**Presentation Type:** Oral or Poster

**Participation:** In Person or Virtual

**Keynote Session:** If you think your presentation is relevant to one of the keynote sessions indicated above, please let us know here which one. If not, simply write N/A.

**Thematic Session:** If you are proposing a special session, please tell the proposed topic and provide a list of other participants who may be submitting Abstracts for consideration in that session as well. If not, simply write N/A.

**Student:** Yes or No, for consideration for student awards.

## **PROCEEDINGS SUBMISSION FORMAT**

Papers submitted for oral, keynote and poster presentations, results of workshops, and short accounts of the conclusions reached in discussions, are eligible to be published in the Proceedings. Unless a manuscript is submitted, only the Program abstract will be published in the Proceedings.

All documents should be in Microsoft Word. Authors should submit an electronic version of their manuscript to meeting organizers by e-mail (**csg2026morocco@gmail.com**), no later than 30 June 2026.

The Proceedings will contain unedited and unreviewed manuscripts submitted by authors. The author/s will be responsible for proof-reading the manuscript and for preparing the manuscript in the format outlined below. Any errors in the submitted manuscript will appear in the published version.

**Font:** Manuscripts should be prepared in Times New Roman font.

**Paper/Margins:** Page setup should be set for A4 (210 x 297 mm) paper. All margins should be 2.5 cm (1").

**Spacing:** The document should be single spaced with no space between paragraphs of the same style, though please manually add a carriage return between paragraphs.

**Title:** The title should be in capital case **14 point bold font** and centered. Do not use separate title pages. Authors names should be in **12 point bold font** and centered below the title. Superscripted numbers should only be used with authors' names if there is more than one address. Addresses should be in **12 point regular font** and centered below the authors' names, with superscripted numbers if appropriate (see example below).

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**Abstract:** The abstract (12 point, single space) should be directly below the authors' addresses. An additional abstract in an alternate language is acceptable, but not mandatory. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words.

**Text:** Papers should be concise and focused. Text (12 point, single spaced) should follow immediately after the abstract, using appropriate headings (eg, Introduction, Methods, Results, etc. and as relevant). Paragraphs and headings should be separated by single line breaks.

**Tables, Graphs, Figures:** Data should be presented in tables or graphs where possible. Do not present the same data in both tables and graphs. Tables, figures, illustrations and photographs should be inserted into the text near where they are cited to assist compilers. Use sequential Arabic numbers to refer to tables and figures in the text (eg., Fig. 1, Table 1). All figures and photographs should also be provided as separate jpeg files (around 1 MB in size) with the manuscript.

Photograph captions and figure legends must be placed immediately below the appropriate photograph and figure, and not on separate pages. Illustrations and photographs can be submitted in color or black and white, and will appear as submitted in the electronic version of the proceedings but in black and white for the printed version. Table legends should be placed above the table to which they refer.

**Page Numbers:** Do not assign page numbers in manuscripts.

**Literature Cited:** Literature cited in the text should be listed chronologically by year then alphabetically by author (eg Neill 1971; Mazzotti 1983; Messel and Vorlicek 1986; Webb *et al.* 1987; Platt and Thorbjarnarson 1997; Ramos 2000). Use hanging indents to separate citations in the Literature Cited section at the end of the text. Do not separate citations with extra lines.

Style applied to literature cited generally follows the Journal of Zoology (London). Examples of citations for journals, books, book chapters, conference proceedings, theses and reports are shown below.

#### **Thesis**

Mazzotti, F.J. (1983). The Ecology of the American Crocodile *Crocodylus acutus* in Florida. PhD thesis, Pennsylvania State University, Philadelphia, USA.

#### **Journal**

Messel, H. and Vorlicek, G.C. (1986). Population dynamics and status of *Crocodylus porosus* in the tidal waterways of northern Australia. Aust. Wildl. Res. 13: 71-111.

#### **Book**

Neill, W.T. (1971). The Last of the Ruling Reptiles. Columbia Univ. Press: New York.

#### **Chapter in Book**

Webb, G.J.W., Manolis, S.C., Dempsey, K.E. and Whitehead, P.J. (1987). Crocodilian eggs: a functional overview. Pp. 417-22 *in* Wildlife Management: Crocodiles and Alligators, ed. by G.J.W. Webb, S.C. Manolis and P.J. Whitehead. Surrey Beatty & Sons: Chipping Norton.

#### **Report**

Platt, S. and Thorbjarnarson, J. (1997). Status and Life History of the American Crocodile in Belize. Final Project Report to UNDP, GEF.

### **Paper in Proceedings**

Ramos, R. (2000). Reproducción en cautiverio del cocodrilo cubano *Crocodylus rhombifer* en el zoocriadero de la Ciénaga de Zapata, Matanzas, Cuba. Pp. 71-85 in Crocodiles. Proceedings of the 15th Working Meeting of the IUCN SSC Crocodile Specialist Group. IUCN: Gland.