

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

# 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual NERA Conference – Virtual

Dear NERA Members,

We are working hard to ensure we bring you a virtual experience that meets your expectations for the usual high- quality NERA content; and bring you together as a community, despite not being able to be together in-person in Trumbull this year. Below are answers to questions we've received about this year's virtual conference.

## Will the conference schedule stay the same?

Yes (mostly), we will meet during the regularly scheduled NERA dates: October 13–15. We will take advantage of the virtual nature of the conference and offer a full day of conference programming on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All sessions will be scheduled in the Eastern Time Zone (starting no earlier than 9 AM).

## How much does it cost to attend the virtual conference?

This year's conference will be \$9.95 (for all members) to help offset the cost of increased programming and an upgraded virtual platform. Additional information on the conference platform and how to access it will be sent to registered members in the coming weeks.

More information about joining or renewing your membership may be found <u>here</u>.

## What do I need to attend the virtual conference?

You will need a good internet connection, your device or computer, and valid NERA membership to register for the conference. Additional information on the conference platform will be sent via email to registered members in the coming weeks.

All sessions will be on Zoom via the platform—further details and guidance on how to navigate the virtual platform will be provided in the upcoming weeks.

#### How do I register for the virtual conference?

Please follow this <u>LINK</u> to register for the conference.



## What if I am not available during the virtual conference dates?

The content will be available on-demand following the conference for all NERA members.

# Should I expect conference sessions to be different this year?

You can expect many sessions similar to those you see during a typical NERA conference. We will have a series of <u>invited sessions and workshops</u> across each of the days, sessions accepted from the call for proposals, GSIC sessions, the President's address, an awards presentation, the annual business meeting, and social times.

# By what date should I submit my paper and/or poster?

<u>Posters:</u> Accepted posters must be submitted by September 24. More details on poster format and how to submit your poster will be forthcoming.

<u>Individual Papers, Round Tables, and Symposia:</u> Accepted individual papers, round tables and Symposia require authors to submit their full paper by October 1. More details on how to submit your paper will be forthcoming.

We hope you are as excited about this year's conference as we are. We will release the formal program and more details in the coming weeks. Stay tuned, and let us know what questions you have.

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