

The 6th Conference (2021) “Cognitive Science in Moscow: New Research”

The first call for papers

[The Russian Journal of Cognitive Science](#) with support of the [International Institute of Psychosomatic Health](#), the [Institute of Practical Psychology and Psychoanalysis](#), and the Scientific Research Institute of Neuropsychology of Speech and Writing is pleased to announce the first call for papers for the 6th “Cognitive Science in Moscow: New Research” conference to be held on **23-24 June 2021**. The event continues the series of conferences held biannually since 2011. Information on the previous conferences and online open access versions of conference proceedings can be found on the conference website <http://conf.virtualcoglab.ru>.

The main aim of the conference is to provide a forum for scientists working in the field of cognition to communicate their recent findings and discuss them with colleagues. The Conference topics include empirical (experimental) studies of cognition and its neurobiological and sociocultural bases, conducted in any discipline and approach, as well as studies in cognitive modeling and artificial intelligence.

The Conference also aims to promote poster presentations. Compared to oral presentations, poster presentations allow for more comfortable and less formal discussion of presented results. Because the Conference organizers hope to demonstrate the advantages of posters, the event will once again host only poster presentations; there will be no oral presentation sessions.

As in previous years, we plan to complement the main program with practical demonstrations and methodological workshops.

All conference abstracts will be posted in an e-programme on the conference website. A conference proceedings book including the full conference papers will be published shortly before the beginning of the event. After the conference, the book will also be published online in open access and indexed by the Russian Science Citation Index.

The authors of the best poster presentations will be invited to submit their research as a brief report in English to a special issue of the Russian Journal of Cognitive Science (<http://cogjournal.org>).

Ten years ago the Conference was launched among the Moscow society of cognitive researchers, which is reflected in its title today. Each year, the number of participants from different cities (Saint Petersburg, Yaroslavl, Nizhny Novgorod, Samara, Saratov, Kaluga, Chelyabinsk etc.), and even different countries has grown. We highly encourage our colleagues from cities beyond Moscow to participate in the Conference; however, the organizing committee has no facilities to cover participants’ travel and accommodation fees.

The official languages of the Conference are *Russian* and *English*.

Submissions of conference abstracts and papers will take place **from 19 until 25 April 2021** via the conference website (<http://conf.virtualcoglab.ru>).

Types of submissions

Conference *papers* may be submitted for publication in the conference proceedings book in the following sections:

“Results”: Empirical (experimental) studies of cognition and its neurobiological and sociocultural bases, conducted in any discipline and approach, as well as studies in cognitive modeling and artificial intelligence. Participants are required to submit reports of studies where some results have been already obtained. Submissions of study proposals only will not be accepted.

“Methods”: Innovative projects on methodological issues including corpora, standardized stimulus databases, atlases, programming, etc. According to our previous experience, such applications are of the utmost interest to all conference participants.

Furthermore, this year we will also accept *abstracts* for poster presentation *without publication*. This form of conference participation is of most convenience for those colleagues who would like to present work which is already mostly published or whose preliminary data cannot yet be published for some reason. Such submissions can be made to either the “Results” or “Methods” sections. Publication of a conference paper without presentation is not possible.

The submission should contain the following information:

- Title
- Author’s and co-authors’ first and last names
- Corresponding author’s contact details: email address and phone number
- From 5 to 8 keywords
- Section: *Results* or *Methods*
- Type of submission: *full conference paper* or *abstract without publication*
- Full conference paper submissions intended for publication in the Conference proceedings book should contain an abstract (100–200 words) as well as a file with the brief article in English or Russian in one of the following formats: *.doc, *.odt, *.rtf, *.pdf (see guidelines below)
- Submissions with abstracts only (without publication) should contain a file with an abstract of the presentation in Russian or English in one of the following formats: *.doc, *.odt, *.rtf, *.pdf format (see guidelines below)

The application deadline for *practical demonstrations* and *methodological workshops* is 1 June 2021. Applications will be accepted via coglab@virtualcoglab.org. Information on the workshops held at previous Conferences can be found here:

<http://conf.virtualcoglab.ru/2017/2017program.html#demos>,

<http://conf.virtualcoglab.ru/2019/2019program.html#demos>.

Guidelines for submissions

The authors can download and use a **template** for formatting their conference papers or abstracts in *.doc and *.odt via <http://conf.virtualcoglab.ru/2021/2021paperguide.html>. Detailed formatting guidelines are provided on the same page.

Conference papers to be published in the conference proceedings book

Page 1:

- Title
- Author information (last names, initials, affiliations, city and email of the corresponding author)
- Abstract (100-200 words)
- From 5 to 8 keywords

Page 2:

The translation of page 1 into the second language (English, if the main text of the paper is in Russian, and Russian, if the main text is in English).

Page 3 and beyond:

Brief article in Russian or English, which must contain information on the research background, objectives, method, results, brief discussion and conclusions, all sufficient for a peer-review.

- The paper text should be *from 2 to 3 pages* long, A4 format, including tables, figures and references. The first two pages of the file are not included in the limit.
- All figures must be in black and white (or allow for conversion into black and white without loss of clarity).
- Formatting requirements are as follows. Margins: 2 cm on left, right, top and bottom. Font: Times New Roman, 12 point font size. Spacing: single-spaced.
- A reference list is mandatory and should include at least three items. Each reference cited in the text must appear in the reference list, and each entry in the reference list must be cited in the text. A reference list should be prepared in line with GOST format. [Examples](#) of reference lists are available on the Conference website. Additional guidance on GOST citation style can be found at the website of the [Russian Journal of Cognitive Science](#).

Abstracts without publication in the conference proceedings book

Conference abstracts should be in Russian or English and contain information on the research background, objectives, method, results, a brief discussion and conclusions, all sufficient for a peer-review.

- The text is limited to *one page* in A4 format, including author information (last names, initials, affiliations with the city and email of the corresponding author).
- Formatting requirements are as follows. Margins: 2 cm on left, right, top and bottom. Font: Times New Roman, 12 point font size. Spacing: single-spaced.
- Optionally, the authors may attach a second page with illustrative materials (tables, figures) and references to facilitate the peer review.

Submission Deadlines

Applications sent after **midnight on 25 April 2021** will not be accepted.

Upon receiving your application, the conference committee will conduct a manual checking, after which we will send a confirmation letter via email to the corresponding author. If you have sent the application and have not received any confirmation email for 2 days, please contact us.

The program committee decisions as well as reviews will be sent to applicants **no later than 11 May 2021**. Authors of the selected submissions will have seven days to revise their materials, and after that there will be another short round of the review. During that period, we will also announce more detailed instructions for poster presentations.

Review Process

We expect to include approximately 100 presentations in our **program schedule**. Works being published or presented at other conferences may be submitted, and papers may be published on the condition that the paper text does not coincide with the already published text more than 50%.

Application selection will be conducted after a peer review. Each application which meets the formal requirements will be reviewed by two members of the program committee. Note that applications for each of the two sections will be assessed based on different criteria. We reserve the right to demand that authors revise their papers or abstracts in accordance with the peer-review comments as a mandatory condition to participate in the conference. In the case of refusal, the program committee may fully reject the submission or accept it for a presentation without publication. Before the publication of the conference proceedings book, a scientific editor will work with the paper text.

Limitations

Any applicant may submit up to two presentations as a first (presenting) author. If several applications with a description of similar studies by the same laboratory but with different first authors are submitted, in the case of high-level competition the program committee reserves the right to select only one of the studies to be presented, even if all of them receive good reviews.

More details about registration and conference fees will be covered in the second call. Given the current publishing prices, the approximate conference registration fees for the presenting authors of the papers selected for the Conference proceeding volume would be 1800 roubles.

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