



2026 Call for submissions

We are happy to announce that submissions are now open for the 22nd Annual NeuroPsychoEconomics Conference (<https://www.neuropsychoeconomics.org>). The conference will be held on **June 11-13, 2026** at the University of Maia (<https://www.umaia.pt/en>), near Porto in Portugal. This is a joint hosting with the University of Beira Interior. The conference chairs are José Paulo Marques dos Santos, Ricardo Rodrigues, and their teams. The **deadline for submissions** is **April 15, 2026, 23:59 CET**.

The conference theme is:

“Bringing Neuroscience, Psychology, and Economics into the Age of Generative Artificial Intelligence”



Preferred topics address include (but are not limited to):

Sustainability and Environmental Decision-Making:

- Investigating the neuropsychological mechanisms underlying pro-environmental behavior and climate change adaptation strategies
- Examining how cognitive biases and temporal discounting affect long-term sustainability choices in individuals and organizations
- Exploring the role of emotional and social factors in promoting circular economy practices and sustainable consumption patterns
- Analyzing the effectiveness of behavioral interventions and nudging techniques in fostering environmentally responsible decision-making

Artificial Intelligence and Human-Machine Collaboration for Welfare:

- Investigating the neuropsychological foundations of trust and acceptance in AI-assisted decision-making across healthcare, finance, and social services
- Examining the cognitive and emotional impacts of AI integration on workplace well-being and human autonomy
- Exploring how AI can augment human decision-making capabilities while preserving ethical considerations and reducing algorithmic bias
- Understanding the neural correlates of human-AI collaboration and their implications for designing welfare-enhancing technologies

Health and Well-being Economics:

- Investigating the neurobiological mechanisms underlying health behavior change and adherence to medical treatments

- Examining the economic and psychological factors that influence healthcare access and health equity across diverse populations
- Exploring the role of social neuroscience in understanding community health interventions and public health policy effectiveness
- Analyzing the neural and behavioral foundations of mental health stigma and its impact on healthcare utilization and societal costs

Digital Society and Technology-Mediated Social Welfare:

- Investigating the neuropsychological effects of digital platforms on social connection, loneliness, and community engagement
- Examining how technology-mediated interactions influence prosocial behavior and collective action for societal benefit
- Exploring the cognitive and emotional mechanisms underlying digital financial inclusion and fintech adoption in underserved populations
- Understanding the neural correlates of digital literacy and their implications for reducing technological inequalities

Social Justice and Economic Inequality:

- Investigating the neuropsychological mechanisms underlying perceptions of fairness, distributive justice, and economic inequality
- Examining how social identity and group membership influence economic decision-making and support for welfare policies
- Exploring the neural foundations of empathy and moral reasoning in contexts of social and economic disadvantage
- Analyzing the effectiveness of behavioral interventions in reducing discrimination and promoting inclusive economic practices

Aging Society and Intergenerational Welfare:

- Investigating the neuropsychological changes associated with aging and their implications for financial decision-making and economic security
- Examining intergenerational attitudes toward social welfare policies and their underlying cognitive and emotional mechanisms
- Exploring the role of social neuroscience in understanding age-related changes in trust, cooperation, and economic behavior
- Understanding how technological innovations can support cognitive health and economic participation across the lifespan

There are 3 different submission formats:

Competitive paper submissions

The **deadline for submissions** is **April 15, 2026, 23:59 CET**. The link to the online submission tool can be found on <https://www.neuropsychoeconomics.org>. Please do **NOT** submit your competitive paper by email but only through the online submission tool. Competitive paper submissions can consist of an extended abstract of up to 1,500 words. The *extended abstract submission* should go beyond a research proposal (i.e., empirical extended abstracts should present information on data and results, conceptual extended abstracts should clearly state their theoretical contribution). Extended abstract submissions must also include a short abstract of no more than 350 words (for inclusion in the *NeuroPsychoEconomics Conference Proceedings*, ISSN 1861-8243), in addition to the extended abstract of no more than 1,500 words. Please format all competitive paper submissions using Times New Roman, size 12 font, with double line spacing and a minimum margin of 2.5 cm (or 1 inch). Submissions must be in PDF format. Begin the paper with an abstract on a separate page, followed by 4-6 keywords. You may format references using [APA guidelines](#) or another scientific style; these do not count against the word limit. When submitting a competitive paper, the submitter needs to confirm that, if accepted, at least one co-author will register for the NeuroPsychoEconomics Conference and attend the conference to present the paper. All submissions will be subject to a double-blind peer review. To ensure an anonymous review process, please omit any identifying information from the paper.

Poster submissions

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through the online submission tool. Poster submissions provide an opportunity to share research in the working stage, with at least some data collected and analyzed, though not necessarily ready for journal submission. Poster proposals consist of an extended abstract (up to 1,500 words) that describes the research presented on the poster, and a short abstract (up to 350 words) for inclusion in the *NeuroPsychoEconomics Conference Proceedings*, ISSN 1861-8243. Please format all poster submissions using Times New Roman, size 12 font, with double line spacing and a minimum margin of 2.5 cm (or 1 inch). Submissions must be in PDF format. Begin the proposal with an abstract on a separate page, followed by 4-6 keywords. You may format references using [APA guidelines](#) or another scientific style; these do not count against the word limit. If your proposal is accepted, the recommended size for posters at the conference is A0. You are welcome to use either color or black-and-white graphics. Also, the best posters may be invited for presentation in a special session at the conference (a 5-minute verbal presentation). When submitting a poster, the submitter needs to confirm that, if accepted, at least one co-author will register for the NeuroPsychoEconomics Conference and attend the conference to present the paper. All submissions will be subject to a double-blind peer review. To ensure an anonymous review process, please omit any identifying information from the paper.

Symposium submissions

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Adherence to research ethics and academic integrity

Author(s) affirm that the methods and results are reported honestly (no fabrication, falsification, or misleading reporting), provide appropriate attribution and accurate authorship, and disclose relevant conflicts of interest and funding. Research involving humans or animals must have appropriate ethics approval/exemption and follow consent, privacy, and welfare standards. Submissions must not include identifying participant information except where ethically approved and properly protected.

Use of generative artificial intelligence

Generative artificial intelligence (AI) should not be used in place of subject-matter experts to create a submission's initial outline or first draft (including any text or figures). It may, however, be used to check whether key topics are covered and to enhance clarity and readability. Authors are required to verify and fact-check any AI-assisted content and remain fully accountable for its accuracy. Any use of AI tools must be disclosed in the author contributions statement and, when relevant, in the manuscript itself—such as in a figure caption if AI helped produce a figure. AI tools may not be credited as article authors.

**We look forward to your submissions
and seeing you at the conference!**

