



Focus sessions NWO CHAINS 2024

Focus Session submission guidelines

- All abstracts should be submitted using the ‘**Template submission focus session**’ Appendix A on page 2.
- Focus sessions can be submitted until the deadline of **Tuesday 21 May, 14:00 hrs CEST** by emailing the completed template to chains@nwo.nl
- We invite group leaders (Tenure track/Assistant Professor/Associate Professor/Professor) in The Netherlands to submit **focus sessions** for NWO CHAINS 2024. The selected focus sessions will be divided in 5 slots on each day, Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 December 2024.
- A focus session is organised around a specific theme/‘hot topic’. The topic is **interdisciplinary** and/or applied and has by preference cross-overs with more than one research area in chemistry. An insight in how interdisciplinary collaboration has (perhaps unexpectedly) impacted the research is highly welcome. Although one individual can submit a focus session, we recommend a **joint action of a few group leaders** to strengthen the broad interest.
- **Format of the focus session:** The duration of a focus session is 45 minutes. The initiators/chairs of selected focus sessions are responsible for the organisation of their own focus session.
- Recommendations: joint initiatives of a few group leaders to strengthen the broad interest, include a **diversity of speakers** (career stage, national/international, university/industry/other, affiliation, gender balance, etc.). We also encourage young group leaders to submit a focus session.
- The programme committee makes a selection of focus sessions to create a balanced programme. Selection criteria include the topic, diversity of aimed set of speakers, diversity of initiators/chairs and interest for more than one community. Please note that a limited number of slots (10) is available.
- Outcomes about the acceptance or rejection of the focus sessions will be communicated in June. Selected focus session have until mid-September to organise their session, have their speakers and chairs registered and to submit the final details.
- Organisers of a focus session can request a budget of max. €600 per focus session. This can be used for travel and/or registration costs – the costs be will be reimbursed after NWO CHAINS 2024 has taken place.



Appendix A: Template submission focus session

All fields are mandatory

Initiator

Name:

Affiliation:

Position:

Email:

Chair

Name:

Affiliation:

Position:

Email:

Aimed speaker 1*

Name:

Affiliation:

Position:

Email:

**If more speakers are invited please add their details*

Title of the focus session (max. 8 words)

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Abstract of the focus session (max. 200 words)

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Relevant track(s)

Please choose one or more of the following tracks:

Chemistry of Life, Chemistry of Materials, Chemical Conversion, Fundamentals and Methods of Chemistry, Chemistry and Industry

Relevant keywords

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