



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Dear IALF members and friends of the Learning Factory community,

We are pleased to announce the call for abstracts for the upcoming CIRP-sponsored **15th Conference on Learning Factories (CLF) 2025**. The conference will be held from **25-28 March 2025** and is organised and hosted by the **Department of Industrial Engineering, Stellenbosch University**, in the beautiful town of Stellenbosch, South Africa.

We welcome you to participate in this conference, which attracts academics and researchers in the field of learning factories to meet, engage, and share about their research, good practices, and learning modules. The goal of the Conference on Learning Factories is to promote cooperation among members to achieve excellence in teaching and research in the field of manufacturing engineering and production management.

Please monitor the conference website for information related to the conference: www.clf2025.org

Authors are invited to submit abstracts for papers related to the **following categories**:

- Technology implementation and evaluation related to learning factories
- Learning and didactic processes and evaluation related to learning factories
- Learning factory business models and cooperation (industry and academic)
- Learning factory concepts and infrastructure
- Learning factories for sustainability and resilience

CONFERENCE KEY DATES

Abstract submission opens: 30 August 2024	Submission of camera-ready paper: 15 February 2025
Closing of abstract submission: 20 September 2024	IALF General Assembly, Pre-registration and Welcome Reception: 25 March 2025
Notification of abstract acceptance: 7 October 2024	Start of Conference presentation sessions: 26 March 2025
Submission of full paper: 4 November 2024	Conference dinner: 26 March 2025
Feedback of 1 st paper review: 13 December 2024	End of Conference presentation sessions: 27 March 2025
Submission of revised paper: 10 January 2025	Conference industry visits: 28 March 2025
Feedback of 2 nd paper review: 1 February 2025	

Instructions for abstract submission:

Please **submit an abstract of a maximum of 250 words** by **20 September 2024** using the conference tool [ConfTool](#). Please note that user accounts from the previous CLF 2024 **have not been transferred (to adhere to protection of personal information laws)**. All users must create a new account for this event. For the abstract submission please use the following guidelines:

- Provide a descriptive title. Please use "Title Case", i.e., start each word with a capital letter and continue in lower case. Do not use capital letters or lower case only. The abstract title should be concise and clearly convey the subject of the abstract.
- A maximum of 3 papers per presenting author may be submitted.



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- The abstract should briefly describe the context and rationale for the study, the aim, the approach / methodology, main contribution(s), and relevance to learning factory concepts or applications.
- When submitting the abstract using the ConfTool, please select at least one, and a maximum of two conference categories from the list provided in the submission tool that best suits your submission.
- Please keep in mind that final paper presentations for the conference should be done in person – this is not a hybrid conference.
- For a final paper to be published in the conference proceedings, a paper has to be presented at the conference. No presentation, no publication.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for further details and clarifications via requestsct@kit-group.org if required. We would be very pleased if you would spread the call for abstracts in your network.

We look forward to receiving your submission and to meeting you in Stellenbosch in March 2025.

Best regards,

Prof. Louis Louw (Chair), Prof. Imke de Kock (Co-Chair), and the rest of the Organising Team

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