

Guidelines for oral presentations – 16th SICSS Retreat

Jun 2-4, 2025 in Brodten/Travemünde

Please read the following information on your oral presentations carefully:

Similar to the previous years, also in this year we will use the following format for the PhD talks:

1. Talks of SICSS doctoral candidates in their last year: length 12-15 minutes, plus 3-5 minutes of discussion. The talks should be easy to follow/understand also by your colleagues from other disciplines!
2. Session chair: Each session will be chaired by one doctoral candidate from the previous session. Please discuss among yourselves who will be the chair (as soon as I have sent you the schedule). It is a great chance for you to practise this job!
3. Note that the chair should briefly introduce the speaker, meaning the chair collects this information prior to the session (CV etc.). He/She is responsible for the time management as well as the discussion. The chair should always be prepared to ask a question in case no other questions are asked at the end of the talk.
4. Similar to previous years you will have the opportunity to receive an anonymous feed-back on your talk by your doctoral class mates and/or by the SICSS Office staff.
5. You as SICSS members will discuss and decide on the most important aspects that make a talk really outstanding and excellent on the first morning prior to the first talks (chaired by your doctoral speaker). The 3-4 most important aspects will be used for the evaluation.
6. Three best oral presentations will be awarded at the end of the retreat ☺
7. If you are interested you may receive the anonymous results of the evaluation of your talk by mail after the retreat. Please tell us so.