



LCM 2013 - CALL FOR SESSIONS

The LCM (Life Cycle Management) conference series is one of the world's leading forums for environmental, economic and social sustainability. The focus is on practical solutions for the implementation of life cycle approaches into strategic and operational decision-making, whether in science, industry, NGOs or public bodies. The conference attracts a unique mix of academics and professionals from industry and public bodies, making it an inspiring melting pot for sharing knowledge and experience across institutional borders. We now call for your ideas and suggestions for what will make up the next LCM conference in Gothenburg 2013.

PERSPECTIVES ON MANAGING LIFE CYCLES

The management of life cycles implies a new logic for governance, focusing on the flow of material instead of a single nation or company. But it is not enough to understand the physical material flows alone, the actors managing the flows and the organizational relationships between them must also be understood. In 2013 we will emphasize the many different *Perspectives on managing life cycles*; physical, geographical and organizational as well as how the concept can be conceived of:

- Local versus global perspectives in life cycle work
- Roles and responsibilities in product life cycles and value chains
- Conceptions of sustainable product life cycles and value chains

The theme and sub-themes are further described at www.lcm2013.org.

INVITATION TO SUBMIT SESSIONS

At this point in time we invite all who are interested to further the knowledge and practice of life cycle management, whether from businesses, academia, public bodies or NGOs, to suggest sessions for the LCM 2013. We welcome suggestions for conventional sessions as well as innovative and interactive formats such as thematic or sector oriented workshops, interactive exhibitions, panel discussions, value chain brokerages etc. We also invite suggestions for seminars around professional skills, e.g. on education or dissemination.

Please send your submission by e-mail to lcm2013@chalmers.se, no later than 30th November, 2011. State a title for the suggested session and describe the intended topic and format. Please also indicate how the session relates to the conference theme. Clearly indicate your own name and affiliation. The response to this call for sessions will be reflected in the call for abstracts in April 2012. For more information, please visit www.lcm2013.org.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Call for Sessions:
September 2011

Deadline Sessions:
November 30, 2011

Call for Abstracts:
April 2012

Deadline Abstracts:
December 2012

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