



Call for Papers
8th Conference “Graubünden forscht”
Congress Center Davos, September 21-22, 2022

1. The conference

[Academia Raetica](#), the association for the promotion of science, research and education in the canton of Graubünden and its surroundings, is organizing the **8th conference “Graubünden forscht”** in Davos on September 21 and 22, 2022.

The conference brings together young scientists from a wide range of research disciplines that are of societal relevance to Graubünden and the Alpine region. The scientific diversity of the talks is intended to encourage the participants to look beyond their own horizons and to open their eyes – and minds – to **transdisciplinary research**. In addition, “Graubünden forscht” offers researchers a platform to present their work to an audience that does not have a specialist background and vice versa, the interested public and scientists from other disciplines an insight into the diverse research in Graubünden.

Conference website: <http://www.gr-forscht.ch/en>

2. Call for papers

We accept abstracts from young scientists (e.g., PhD students, Master students, early career postdocs) who are doing research in or about Graubünden. We also welcome contributions from scientists from neighboring regions and countries whose research has relevance for Graubünden and/or the Alpine region. If accepted, each participant will be given 10-12 minutes for a presentation.

We accept abstracts from all areas of academic research such as natural sciences, medical and life sciences, economics, engineering sciences and humanities and social sciences.

Since we want to give special consideration to **transdisciplinary projects**, we will allocate – in addition to the individual presentations – **four 30-minute time slots** for interested research teams* to report in detail on their transdisciplinary collaboration.

* Two or more people should give the presentation.

Your abstract

Please submit your abstract (Word file) in English (German upon request) using the following format details:

- 1 Title: Arial, 11, bold, single spaced, not capitalized
- 2 Authors: Arial, 11, single spaced, last name, first name (full spelling, no initials), underline presenting author
- 3 Affiliations: Arial, 11, name of institution, department, city, country, use numbers to link to authors
- 4 Text: Arial, 11, single spaced, max. 800 words without authors and affiliations

To submit and upload your abstract please go to <https://gr-forscht.ch/en/abstract-upload> and complete the registration. You will receive an automated email to confirm your abstract submission.

A scientific jury will review all abstracts regarding:

- Scientific output of the paper (further development of a methodological approach; scientific gain of knowledge based on the results obtained; innovative potential; approaches to solving everyday problems)
- Comprehensibility of the article (title states what it is about; comprehensible structure; clear presentation of the method; meaningful derivations; clean argumentation and discussion)
- Methodology (scientific quality of the methodological approach)
- Social relevance

3. Your presentation and audience

The main presentation language is English. The afternoon of Thursday, September 20, 2022, will be specifically aimed at the general public. For this occasion, we will select presentations to be given in German.

Please note that you will be presenting to a largely non-specialist audience. Therefore, it is very important that you either explain or avoid technical terms. Describe your research in an easy-to-understand and illustrative way by using examples. Imagine explaining your work to a family member or neighbor who has little or no prior knowledge of your work.

The audience rating, along with the grade from the review, will be used for the overall evaluation of your presentation. We will award a cash prize for the best presentations in each discipline.

The Academia Raetica is offering the **two day workshop “Attention please! - Presenting successfully at conferences and in other scientific contexts”** (July 13 and 14, 2022, Davos) including 1:1 coaching on September 8 and 9, 2022 (online) to prepare for the conference. Course registration: <https://academiaraetica.ch/en/courses-and-events/attention-please>

4. Deadlines & fees

Abstract submission and acceptance

- **by May 31, 2022:** Abstract submission for all abstracts and transdisciplinary projects
- **by June 25, 2022:** Notification of abstract acceptance

Conference fee for contributors:

	Early bird (June 26 until July 15, 2022)	Regular (from July 16 until August 31, 2022)
Masterstudents	CHF 100	CHF 120
PhD students	CHF 150	CHF 200
Postdocs, scientific staff	CHF 180	CHF 220

The fee includes all conference activities including coffee breaks, lunches and the conference dinner. Information on visitors' access will be published separately.

5. Preliminary program

Time	Wednesday, September 21, 2022	
08.00-09.30	Registration and “Znüni”	
09.30-10.00	Opening	
10.00-10.30	Focus presentation: Transdisciplinary project	
10.30-10.45	Break	
10.45-12.00	Parallel session 1	Parallel session 2
12.00-13.00	Lunch	
13.00-13.30	Speed dating	
13.30-14.45	Parallel session 3	Parallel session 4
14.45-15.00	Break	
15.00-15.30	Focus presentation: Transdisciplinary project	
15.30-15.45	Break	
15.45-17.00	Parallel session 5	Parallel session 6
17.15-19.00	Social activity with apéro	
from 19.00	Conference dinner and award ceremony for “new” PhDs*	

*Researchers who have since the last ceremony in 2018 completed their doctorate in collaboration with a member or partner institution of Academia Raetica will be invited to the conference dinner and receive an award for their achievements.

Time	Thursday, September 22, 2022	
08.00-10.00	Visit of research institutes in Davos (optional)	
10.00-10.15	Znüni	
10.15-10.45	Focus presentation: Transdisciplinary project	
10.45-11.00	Break	
11.00-12.15	Parallel session 7	Parallel session 8
12.15-13.30	Lunch	
13.30-14.00	Focus presentation: Transdisciplinary project	
14.00-14.15	Break	
14.15-15.30	Parallel session 9	Parallel session 10
15.30-16.00	Break	
16.00-17.30	Conference awards for the best presentations , followed by an apéro	

6. Contact

We are looking forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions around the conference, please contact:

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