



A call for papers has been issued for a major triennial international urban trees research conference. Trees People and the Built Environment 3 (TPBE 3) will take place on 5-6 April 2017, at the University of Birmingham, and follows on from acclaimed events in 2011 and 2014.

This year the conference will focus on two significant areas of research; Roads to Place - Why trees are an integral part of highway transport design on Day 1 and The Health Crisis – the role of trees in improving human health (Mental, physical, social and cultural) on Day 2.

The event will provide a platform for UK and international researchers and practitioners to showcase their vital work in these areas, and help both built and natural environment professionals turn this research into action on the ground.

Papers that address the conference topics in both the social and natural sciences are welcomed. These will be:

- Original research papers presenting new work in a specific subject area.
- Review papers covering existing and ongoing research in the subject areas of transport and health. This type of paper is also expected to indicate where future research in that field might be focused.
- Case Studies demonstrating research being brought through to practice.

Selected authors will join expert keynote speakers in presenting to over 400 built and natural environment delegates from across the UK and the world. With the conference offering both local and international perspectives, papers from overseas authors will be welcomed by the selection committee.

## **Guidelines for Abstract Submission**

Please send an abstract of not more than 300 words. All submissions must comply with the following:

- Have a title, authorship (including affiliation),
- Have no more than five keywords
- Identify if it is an original research paper or a review paper
- Be submitted by email in Word format by: 12:00 GMT, 21 October 2016

Papers will be reviewed by industry specialists from the Conference Steering Group. Authors whose papers are then selected will be invited to present their work at the conference. Most presentations will last no longer than 30 minutes. The papers accepted will be peer-reviewed and appear in an online publication of the conference proceedings.

Authors whose papers are selected will be notified by 28 October 2016. Those authors who are not successful may be given the opportunity to present a poster at the conference.

Full papers of selected presentations must be received by 3 March 2017 without exception, in accordance with instructions.

The author or main author of selected papers will be given a complimentary place at the conference and will have their travel expenses reimbursed and accommodation and meals provided, in accordance with conference guidelines for speakers.

Abstract submissions and academic enquiries should be directed to Professor Alan Simson, Chartered Landscape Architect & Urban Forester at Leeds Beckett University: [a.simson@leedsbeckett.ac.uk](mailto:a.simson@leedsbeckett.ac.uk)