

**Campbell Collaboration Colloquium 2014 –**

**Call for Proposals**

**Conference Overview**

Members of the Campbell Collaboration, prospective members, and others interested in systematic reviews and evaluation research are invited to submit proposals for the **Campbell Collaboration’s annual Colloquium, to be held from June 16-19, 2014 in Belfast, Northern Ireland on the campus of Queen’s University Belfast**.

The **Campbell Collaboration** **(C2)** is an international network that produces **systematic reviews** of evidence of the effects of social interventions. C2 helps people and policymakers make well-informed decisions by preparing, maintaining and disseminating systematic reviews of research on interventions in **education**, **crime and justice**, **international development**, and **social welfare**.

The Colloquium theme is: **“Better Evidence for a Better World”.** We welcome proposals for **oral paper presentations** on any topic relevant to the development and application of systematic review methods. However, C2 recognizes that systematic reviews of effects are just one important component of the iterative cycle of evidence gathering and decision-making about social interventions (“the evidence cycle” – see stylized figure on the next page).

**Desired Submissions**

We are therefore particularly interested this year in receiving proposals for **oral paper presentations** focused on improving the interfaces between systematic reviews and other stages of the evidence cycle, including (but not limited to):

* User engagement and user-centered design and delivery
* Question formulation and prioritization
* A spectrum of methods: choosing appropriate synthesis and evaluation methods
* A spectrum of methods: using appropriate evidence synthesis and evaluation methods
* Results of systematic reviews
* Knowledge translation and implementation: moving from evidence to recommendations and effective implementation
* Research prioritization: moving from evidence to further research
* Designing primary evaluation research for integration into systematic reviews

**Figure 1. Systematic reviews and the evidence cycle**

Well-formulated, prioritized research question (and decision problem)

Systematic review (and decision model)

Policy and practice decisions: e.g. implement intervention?

Value of information analysis or other research priority setting analysis

Research decisions:

e.g. is more research worthwhile?

End research into current question (decision problem)

Primary evaluation research studies

Adapted from Wilson et al., 2010

We are also seeking **poster and oral presentations** on research related to interventions for improving the well-being of society or individuals in any of the key Campbell areas: *Crime and Justice*, *Education*, *International Development*, *Social Welfare*, *Research Synthesis Methods* (or with implications for synthesis), and *Knowledge Translation and Implementation*. We welcome submissions that focus on questions of effectiveness, harms, risk, diagnosis, prevalence, incidence, and use of evidence by decision-makers, which can involve a diverse range of methodologies—including quantitative and qualitative approaches. We particularly welcome submissions presenting the results of Campbell reviews. As the working language of the conference will be English, we request the proposals to be in English.

Please note that submissions will be simultaneously considered for either panel presentations or poster presentations, though we will take into consideration the applicants’ preferences for presentation format.

**Instructions for Submissions**

To submit proposals for presentations, **please prepare a one-page summary (see next page)** including an abstract of maximum 400 words of the results, with full title, author’s names, affiliations including address, phone/fax/e-mail, and which stages of the evidence cycle the presentation will target. All presentations must represent original work.

**Review committee.** The abstracts will be reviewed and selected by a committee comprised of Campbell Steering Group Members, Editors, and affiliates. The submitting authors will be notified of acceptance or rejection via e-mail. For any questions on the conference of presentation details, please email Gary Ritter (garyr@uark.edu).

**Deadline.** Proposals must be submitted electronically to [managing.editor.ecg@c2admin.org](mailto:managing.editor.ecg@c2admin.org) no later than **December 20, 2013**. Notification of acceptance or rejection will be out by **January 24, 2014**.

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**Presentation Preference**: Poster or Panel

**Related Campbell Coordinating Groups**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Campbell Groups include: 1. Crime and Justice, 2. Education, 3. International Development, 4. Social Welfare, 5. Research Synthesis Methods, and 6. Knowledge Translation and Implementation.)

**Related Stage(s) of the Evidence Cycle**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Topics include: 1. User engagement and user-centered design and delivery, 2. Question formulation and prioritization, 3. A spectrum of methods: choosing appropriate synthesis and evaluation methods, 4. A spectrum of methods: using appropriate evidence synthesis and evaluation methods, 5. Results of systematic reviews 6. Knowledge translation and implementation: moving from evidence to recommendations; 7. Research prioritization: moving from evidence to further research, 8. Designing primary evaluation research for integration into systematic reviews, 9. Other. )

**Proposal Abstract (maximum 400 words)**

*Be sure to be clear on question being addressed and methods employed.*