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# 17<sup>th</sup> Annual WCO PICARD Conference 2022 CALL FOR PAPERS 8 - 9 December 2022

The World Customs Organization (WCO) is pleased to announce that **the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual WCO PICARD Conference will take place from 8 to 9 December 2022**. The Conference will take place either as a web-based event or in a hybrid format hosted in Brussels. The format and details of the Conference will be communicated to participants in a due course.

The WCO PICARD Conference is an international platform to foster dialogue between the Customs administrations, academic communities and private sector. The Conference is pleased to **call for papers** as follows.

The Conference welcomes **any subject of research that is related to the policy, operation and administration of Customs authorities**. This includes core missions of Customs such as revenue collection, fraud detection, anti-smuggling, security of borders and trade facilitation, and emerging trends such as data analytics, disruptive technologies, the circular economy and fragile borders.

The Conference also welcomes and encourages submissions from Customs officials, as well as researchers from various academic disciplines, such as anthropology, criminology, economics, geography, history, international relations and international trade, law, mathematics and political science.

## Registration for the Conference

The registration website will open in **August**.

## Submission process

Two tracks for submission are offered, one for academics and one for Customs experts.

## Submissions by Customs experts

Applicants may submit proposals (maximum 500 words) no later than 31 May 2022. The proposal should include the motivation for and objective of the research, the data sets and methodologies to be used, and possible outcomes. The PICARD Scientific Board Members will select the successful proposals and notify the applicants by 15 June 2022.

The selected applicants will draft their research paper under the supervision of a Member or Members of the Scientific Board. The selected applicants are entitled to participation in the week long online course in the second half of July 2022 provided by Victoria University in Canada, with a tuition waiver supported by CCF Korea. The selected applicants who wish to participate the course shall register for the course by 30 June 2022

<https://www.uvic.ca/humanities/intd/europe/travel-and-learn/summer/index.php>.

The selected applicants must complete their paper by 15 October 2022.



## Submissions by academics

Applicants may submit proposals (maximum 500 words) no later than 30 June 2022. The proposal should include the motivation for and objective of the research, the data sets and methodologies to be used, and possible outcomes. The PICARD Scientific Board Members will select the successful proposals and notify the applicants by 20 July 2022.

The selected applicants must complete their paper by 15 October 2022.

## Format of the submissions

To respond to this Call for Papers, please submit your proposal by email to [picard2022@wcoomd.org](mailto:picard2022@wcoomd.org). The submission should include the following details:

- Name, title, and biography (maximum 250 words) of researcher or researchers.
- Current position, organization, and country of researcher or researchers.
- Contact email address and telephone number.
- Proposed title of contribution.
- Preference of participation in the online course (for Customs experts)

Submissions should be submitted in accordance with following requirements:

- Arial font size 11.
- Submissions should be in English or French.

## Important deadlines

For Customs experts

- Submission of proposal: **31 May 2022**
- Notification to applicants: **15 June 2022**
- Registration in the online course (if applied): **30 June 2022**
- Completion of research paper: **15 October 2022**

For academics

- Submission of proposal: **30 June 2022**
- Notification to applicants: **20 July 2022**
- Completion of research paper: **15 October 2022**

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If you have any questions or concerns, please email the Research and Policy Unit ([picard2022@wcoomd.org](mailto:picard2022@wcoomd.org)).

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