

HEFMA 2026 Annual Conference

Call for Papers – Abstract Submission

Conference Details:

 **Conference Dates:** 12–15 October 2026

 **Venue:** University of Botswana

 **Deadline for Submission:** 05 August 2026

Submission Details:

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Sub-Theme(s) Addressed (tick or highlight applicable)

1. Strategy, Governance & Professionalisation:

- Facilities Management Maturity Models and Benchmarking
- Professionalisation and Competency Development
- Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Practices
- Public-Private Partnerships and Strategic Collaborations
- Future Trends Shaping Facilities Management
- The Future of Facilities Management: Vision 2050

2. Infrastructure, Asset & Lifecycle Management:

- Infrastructure Asset Management and Lifecycle Planning
- Capital Projects and Infrastructure Programme Management
- Maintenance Optimisation and Operational Excellence
- Post Occupancy Evaluation for Fit-for-Purpose Buildings

3. Digital Transformation & Smart Campus Innovation

- Smart Campuses and Digital Transformation
- Artificial Intelligence in Facilities Management
- Building Information Modelling (BIM) and Digital Twins
- Innovation and Emerging Technologies

4. Sustainability, Climate & Resource Efficiency:

- Sustainability and Net-Zero Campuses
- Energy, Water and Resource Efficiency
- Climate Resilience and Sustainable Campus Development
- Business Continuity Practices for Agile Campuses

5. People, Operations, Safety & Campus Experience:

- Occupational Health and Safety Management
- Campus Security, Risk and Resilience
- Accessibility and Inclusive Campuses
- Soft Services: Pest Control. Landscaping & Cleaning

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Abstract

(300–500 words) - Clearly outline the purpose, methodology, key findings or insights, and relevance to the conference theme “Innovating Campus Spaces.” The abstract should highlight how the paper contributes to facilities and infrastructure management in higher education.

Keywords

(3–5 terms) - e.g., Smart campuses, Sustainability, Digital transformation, Cybersecurity, Facilities management

Presenter Biography

(max. 100 words) - A brief profile for the conference programme, including current role and relevant experience.