



Call for Papers

The 57th Annual Conference and Exhibition will take place at

DoubleTree by Hilton Brighton Metropole, Brighton Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th June 2027

The BIALL Conference Committee Call for Papers is out now.

It is with great delight that the BIALL Conference Committee opens the Call for Papers for #BIALL2027, which will take place at DoubleTree by Hilton Brighton Metropole, Brighton.

We hope you will be inspired by our theme
Brighton Bound: Leading Legal Information into the Future

Our members expressed an interest in the following topics, so we therefore invite conference submissions on the themes of:

- AI in practice – case studies
- Core skills – collaboration, resilience, presentation, negotiation, critical thinking
- Foreign legal systems & resources
- Academic sector developments
- Knowledge Management (KM)
- Training - trainees and apprentices
- Competitive intelligence
- Intranets
- Taxonomy

How can I participate?

Here's an outline of the session types available in the conference programme:

Plenary session

In-depth presentation delivered to a larger audience, of 1 hour including Q&A. Alternatively, we do accept 30 minute talks. Plenary sessions can include Panel discussions.

Parallel session

Practical sessions delivered to smaller groups, of 40 minutes including Q&A. Ideally interactive or workshop based to encourage discussion.

Lightning talks

Quick talks of 15 minutes or less delivered to a larger audience. An opportunity to share projects, case studies, best practice tips and more in an informal format.

What do we offer?

For an individual Plenary/ Parallel speaker, we can offer a 1 day delegate package plus a speaker's honorarium:

- 1 day conference attendance
- 1 night hotel accommodation
- Up to £150 travel expenses
- £100 honorarium

For individual Lightning speakers, we offer a 1 day delegate package

- 1 day conference attendance



- 1 night hotel accommodation
- Up to £150 travel expenses

Please note we do not accept more than one speaker for lightning talks.

Turn your idea into a proposal

If you are interested in presenting, simply complete the proposal form [Speaker Proposal Form](#) stating if it is a Plenary/Parallel or Lightning talk by Monday 12th October 2026.

Proposal forms

The proposals forms are also available from the BIALL website <https://biall.org.uk/> under Events & Training > Annual Conferences > 2027 Brighton

The proposal form requires a speaker biography and presentation abstract:

Presentation abstract

An outline of your proposed conference session including the key learning points, any activities or discussions, and any tools required to deliver the session.

Speaker biography

The abstract should be accompanied by a short biography of the speaker outlining

relevant professional experience and any publications or papers delivered at other conferences or training events.

Proposal webinar

If you want to find out more about the call for papers or how to write a conference proposal, sign up for the [Conference proposal webinar](#)

- 1pm Friday 18th September 2026

Jackie Hanes, the BIALL President, will talk through the process and answer your questions.

Conference information and contacts

You are welcome to contact any of the Programme Coordinators to discuss your ideas and ask questions about the proposal.

- [Ruth Fegan](#)
- [Shannon Hiday](#)
- [Caroline Sandilands](#)

Proposal forms should be submitted no later than **Monday 12th October 2026** by email to [Tonia Sexton](#) or any of the Programme Coordinators.