

## *2026 SSCT Annual Technical Meeting - Conference*

**June 7 - 10, 2026**

**Renaissance Downtown Asheville  
Asheville, NC**

# **CALL FOR SPEAKERS**

The Southern Society for Coatings Technology has announced their 2026 Annual Technical Conference. We are currently seeking technical speakers for this event. Any interested parties should e-mail [SSCTORG@gmail.com](mailto:SSCTORG@gmail.com) and complete the following abstract format. Please refer to <https://ssct.org> for the conference registration link. Registration fees, including Speaker Registration, increase as the conference date approaches.

## **2026 Speaker's Format**

Speakers will be asked to present on the mornings of June 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>. It is our goal to further the advancement of coatings technology through these speaker platforms.

The criteria for the presentations are listed below:

**Abstract and Picture:** An ABSTRACT for the presentation is required. The ABSTRACT must be submitted in its entirety. Submission deadline is no later than **January 5<sup>th</sup> 2026**.

ABSTRACT LINK: <https://form.jotform.com/251677226767166>

Acceptance letters will be sent on or before **January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.

**Short Bio:** The SHORT BIOGRAPHY is due no later than **January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.

BIOGRAPHY LINK: <https://form.jotform.com/251676879210162>

**Time:** Presentations should be no less than 20 minutes and no longer than 30 minutes.

**Audio Visual Equipment:** Your submitted presentation will be readily available on our SSCT Computer for presenting.

**Presentation:** The actual PowerPoint presentation should be e-mailed to [SSCTORG@gmail.com](mailto:SSCTORG@gmail.com) no later than April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026. We are often asked by attendees for copies of your presentation. All such requests will be referred to your email address so that you may respond at your discretion.

**Content:** We will be reviewing the presentations solely based on their technical content and contribution. It is our goal to have educational technical presentations to improve the understanding of the science of coatings. We are trying to challenge traditional methods of formulation as well as solve conventional issues that have plagued formulators utilizing new technologies and approaches. It is also our goal to offer educational tools to assist you with improving coatings performance and functionality beyond traditional expectations. We anticipate seeing a company logo on the title and acknowledgement slides. However, we do not expect the presentations to be a platform for new proprietary product introductions, specific trade name promotions, or a lengthy commercial for the speaker's employer. Please keep this in mind when submitting your presentation.

## 2026 SOUTHERN SOCIETY FOR COATINGS TECHNOLOGY TECHNICAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATION GUIDELINES

The Southern Society for Coatings Technology (SSCT) is committed to providing a forum for the unbiased exchange of technical information in the field of coatings science and technology.

To preserve the integrity and educational value of the conference, presenters are asked to adhere to the following guidelines:

- **No pricing, product codes, or trade names** should be included in the presentation content. References to specific commercial products should be avoided unless necessary for clarity and discussed in a generic, non-promotional context.
- **Company logos** may appear only on the title slide and a final acknowledgment or contact slide. Logos should not be included on content slides. Logos on company-supplied templates should be removed from the background image or master slide as necessary. Some slides/information may be legally copyrighted by the presenter's employer. A footnote, in small font, may be placed with the company's written name and copyright statement.
- **Presentation tone and design** should reflect a technical focus. Avoid using marketing language or visuals that resemble trade show materials, brochures, or product sell sheets.
- **Content should be original** and relevant to coatings technology. If proprietary or published data is used, it must be appropriately cited. Speakers are expected to present data in a responsible and transparent manner.
- **All presenters** are expected to respect time limits, maintain professionalism, and be prepared to answer technical questions from the audience.

By following these guidelines, presenters help ensure the SSCT conference remains a respected venue for scientific collaboration and professional development. The conference serves as a valuable opportunity for professionals across the coatings industry to share research, explore innovations, and engage in meaningful dialogue free from commercial bias. Upholding these standards reinforces the SSCT's mission to advance coatings education and foster an environment where technical expertise, innovation, and collective knowledge are freely exchanged for the betterment of the entire industry.