



SAVE International 2018 Value Summit

June 9-12, 2018 – Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol – Austin, Texas

PAPER ACCEPTANCE POLICY & SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

General Information

The Value Methodology (VM) is a proven project management best practice and an exceptional decision-making tool to find alternative solutions to problems and achieve value for money. It is also referred to as Value Engineering (VE) and Value Analysis (VA).

In 2018, we will celebrate 71 years of providing value to industry and government worldwide. Please consider sharing your success and stories in improving or enhancing value in your organization, company or industry by submitting a paper for consideration for presenting at the 2018 Value Summit. Potential focus areas will include:

- 1. New Technology to Improve Value** – How have you harnessed technology to improve value? What have you been doing that is creative and disruptive? Are there new innovations in your market and how were they developed?
- 2. Business Process Improvements** – What have you been doing in the way of business process improvements? Do you have a new tool or technique we should hear about? How did your organization embrace the new improvements or continuous process improvements? We would like to hear your successes.
- 3. Value in Transportation** – We strongly encourage all transportation-related entries (all modes of transportation). Since there will be no AASHTO VE conference again this year, consider this opportunity as your outlet for a paper and presentation. How has DOT value delivery fared over the last few years and where could it go? How has your organization embraced value opportunities?
- 4. Value Enhancement Tools that Support Value Management** – Highlight the combination of other techniques with VM to improve outcomes, including Agile, LEAN, Six Sigma, Risk Analysis, DFMA, Resiliency, Choosing by Advantages, Activity-based costing, etc.
- 5. Value Improvement Approaches in Manufacturing** – Demonstrate *Function-Inspired Change* in manufacturing. Share your experience in improving delivery by defining needs and identifying creative and efficient solutions to achieve innovative solutions.
- 6. Value Management Improvement Approaches and Process Improvements** – Convey success stories in your approach to using the methodology, team dynamics, workshop logistics, facilitation of studies, new tools and techniques. What works well and what is a challenge? Tell others about new techniques and applications of the value methodology.
- 7. Improving Value in Government** – What can you tell others about success stories or pitfalls in managing a government value program? How have you used the methodology to improve the function and value of public projects?
- 8. Value Management and Systems Engineering** – We would like to hear more about how Function and Value Management has been applied or can be applied to Systems Engineering.

Other topics might include, use of VE/VA in project management, function-inspired change and specific core competencies as below.

Core Competency Topics:

1. **VALUE METHODOLOGY** (history and evolution of value methods)
2. **TRANSFORM INFORMATION** (organize, summarize and communicate data into structured knowledge for use by the value study team)
3. **TEAM FACILITATION** (all phases of job plan)
4. **FUNCTION ANALYSIS**
5. **COST ANALYSIS** (financial analysis, cost estimate, life cycle cost, net present value, present worth, simple payback, breakeven, return on investment)
6. **PRE WORKSHOP STAGE** (stakeholders' expectations, selection of subject matter experts for VE team, gathering and distributing information, workshop logistics)
7. **WORKSHOP STAGE - SIX-PHASED JOB PLAN** (tailor workshop phases with the necessary flexibility to the desired outcome, manage team, sell the workshop results)
8. **POST WORKSHOP STAGE** (activities after the workshop including assembling a draft report, collecting comments, creating a final report and implementation of the value study recommendations)
9. **VALUE PROGRAM** (value programs for projects, programs, agencies and organizations. How, when and where to best apply the value methodology to ensure success)

Submission Deadlines

Papers must be received by 11:59 PM Eastern Time, January 15, 2018. All papers and presentations will be reviewed by the Paper Review Committee. Changes may be requested. Earlier completions and submissions would be greatly appreciated. Submissions will only be accepted through the [SAVE 2018 Value Summit Paper Submission Site](#).

Format

The [paper template](#) has been formatted in accordance with the following instructions and provides all heading formats in the style toolbar.

The paper should be prepared using any version of Microsoft Word® for IBM PC (.doc extension). A maximum length of 4,200 words (and not more than 8 pages) including tables, figures, graphs, illustrations, references and appendices will be accepted.

- Single column format
- Margins = 1 inch (2.54 cm) all around
- Paper size = 8 ½" x 11" portrait
- Font = Arial, left justified
- First page – as example. The abstract and author details should not take up more than one page.
- Headings:
 - Paper Title: Heading 1
 - Author Name: Heading 1
 - Heading 1: 12 point bold, small caps, 6 pt. before, 12 pt. after
 - Heading 2: 12 point bold, 6 pt. before, 6 pt. after
 - Heading 3: 11 point bold, italics, 6 pt. before, 3 pt. after
 - Body Text: 10 point, 0 pt. before, 6 pt. after, line space: at least 12 pt.
 - Table/Figure Title: Heading 4 = 10 pt., bold, centered.
- Do not underline, do not use all capital/upper case characters and do not number paragraphs.
- Please note: your First Page (abstract and author details) will NOT count towards the 8-page maximum for your submission.

Graphics

- All graphics must be embedded in the main paper file.
- All graphics must have a title and be numbered in the order in which they appear.

References

- Always acknowledge the work of others used in your paper.
- Do not use footnotes or automatic endnotes, please type all references manually.
- Use the author-date system of reference, i.e., (author, publication year, and if applicable, page number) e.g., (Smith, 2002) or (Smith, 2002, 24).
- Include a Reference List at the end of your paper.
- Examples of reference formats from books and articles are as follows:
 - Books: author(s), year of publication, title (in italics), relevant pages (if applicable), publisher, where published
 - Articles: author(s), year of publication, title of paper, journal (in italics), issue, page number
- Please note: your reference page will NOT count towards the 8-page maximum for your submission.

Notification

Notification of acceptance is anticipated by March 1, 2018.

Responsibilities of Presenters

Presenting authors of accepted papers shall be required to register to attend the 2018 Value Summit. Presenters are responsible for all expenses related to participating in the Summit, including complete registration fees, transportation, lodging and meals.

For More Information

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