Small Cats Symposium – Submission Guidelines

We welcome abstract submissions for oral or poster presentations at the upcoming Small Cats Symposium, which will center on small wild cat species, with an emphasis on conservation and a particular attention to threatened species.

Submissions are encouraged from researchers, conservationists, wildlife professionals, and students. We especially invite contributions from early-career scientists, professionals working in underrepresented regions, and those engaged in interdisciplinary initiatives.

Abstract Requirements :

- **Word limit**: Maximum **300 words** (excluding title, authors, and affiliations).
- **Language**: English only.
- **Format**:
  - **Title**: Clear and concise.
  - **Authors**: Full names and institutional affiliations.
  - **Body**: Include background, objectives, methods, key results, and conclusions.
  - Avoid figures, tables, or references in the abstract.

Submission Process :

- Submit abstracts via Small Cat Symposium's website.
- File format: **.doc**, **.docx**, or **.pdf**.
- Deadline for submission: **31 December 2025 (23H59 GMT+2)**

Evaluation Criteria :

- Relevance to small wild cat species
- Project implication in tangible conservation outcomes for small cat species
- Scientific quality and clarity
- Originality and significance
- Completeness within the word limit

Presentation Types :

- **Oral Presentation:** 12 minutes talk followed by 3 minutes of Q&A

- **Poster Presentation**: 3 minutes talk followed by 2 minutes of Q&A
  Digital Poster to consist of 2 - 4 PowerPoint Slides, presented during 3-minute talk.

Please indicate your **preferred presentation type**, though final decisions will be made by the review committee.

Notification of Acceptance:

Authors will be notified by **27 January 2026**. Accepted presenters must confirm participation by **1 February 2026**.

For questions, please contact us Joleen Broadfield at jbroadfield@panthera.org

We look forward to your contributions to the growing field of small cat research !