



MARE Session Format Ideas

This document provides some ideas on possible session format ideas.

- Panel- of up to 4 speakers with a pre-arranged discussant for each presentation.
- Topic-specific discussion groups- where there are a few “big names” with a central problem or methodology that’s introduced and it’s an open discussion.
- Roundtables- with panelists from the field, policy, stakeholder groups discussing a particular topic or theme.
- Interviews- instead of giving a presentation, person A questions person B about their most recent project. Or instead of interviewing the “scientist” in the project, stakeholders of the project could be interviewed.
- Prerecorded- sessions and/or presentations can be prerecorded
- Visual- with photo presentations or short documentary films and time for discussion.
- “Come prepared”- where there’s a short video or something to watch in advance and then more time is available for discussion.
- PechaKucha- a storytelling format where a presenter shows 20 slides for 20 seconds of commentary each (6 minutes and 40 seconds total).
- Debate- on two or more sides of a particular issue.
- Original ideas- use your imagination!