

UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DO AGRESTE DE PERNAMBUCO — UFAPE
II IMAS 2026 Scientific Committee



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

II International Meeting of Animal Science in Semi-Arid Regions
II IMAS 2026

November 8–10, 2026 • Recife Expo Center — Recife/PE

1. About the event

The II International Meeting of Animal Science in Semi-Arid Regions (II IMAS 2026) is a scientific event focused on Agricultural Sciences and Animal Production, with emphasis on production systems in semi-arid regions. The overall theme of the event will be “Smart Animal Production: Science, Innovation and Sustainability for Semi-Arid Regions”, and it will be held from November 8 to 10, 2026, at the Recife Expo Center, in Recife/PE, in an in-person format.

The event is organized by the Universidade Federal do Agreste de Pernambuco (UFAPE), with institutional and scientific support from the Universidade de Lisboa, the Universidade Federal Rural de Pernambuco (UFRPE), the Graduate Program in Animal Science and Pastures (PPGCAP/UFAPE), the Graduate Program in Animal Science of UFRPE, the Regional Council of Veterinary Medicine of Pernambuco (CRMV-PE), the Brazilian Association of Zootecnicians (ABZ), and the Northeastern Society of Animal Production (SNPA).

This call establishes the rules for the submission, review, presentation, and publication of abstracts submitted to the II IMAS 2026.

2. General submission guidelines

Abstracts must be submitted **in English**, in the form of a **simple (non-extended) abstract**, with a **maximum length of 1 (one) page**, strictly following the template provided by the organizing committee.

Each abstract must be submitted **in PDF format**, exclusively through the official event platform (<https://eventos.agenciape.com.br/imaszootecnia/>) in **two versions** (see Section 4): a **blinded version** (for review) and a **complete version** (for the proceedings).

Each abstract may have a **maximum of 8 (eight) authors**, including the presenting author.

Each registered author may submit up to **2 (two) abstracts as first author**; there is no limit for participation as co-author.

At the time of submission, the author must indicate a **single thematic area** for the abstract (see Section 3).

Publication of the abstract in the event proceedings is contingent upon payment of the registration fee by the first author. Presentations by authors without a regular registration will not be permitted.

3. Thematic areas

At the time of submission, the author must select only one of the following thematic areas:

- Companion and wild animals
- Apiculture and meliponiculture
- Aquaculture
- Bioclimatology, environment, behavior, and animal welfare
- Extension, education, and entrepreneurship
- Genetics, biotechnology, breeding, and animal reproduction
- Industry of animal-origin products and food science
- Innovation and animal production systems

- Nutrition and production of non-ruminants
- Nutrition and production of ruminants
- Pastures and forage crops

4. Abstract structure and formatting

The abstract must be prepared following the official event template. The body of the abstract must contain all essential elements of a scientific paper: a brief introduction (contextualizing the research topic), objective, methodology (description of biological, analytical, and statistical procedures), results, and inferences or conclusions.

Template specifications (mandatory):

Language: English. **Length:** maximum 1 page. **File format:** PDF.

Font: Calibri, 12 pt; author affiliations in 10 pt.

Margins: 2.5 cm on the left; 2.0 cm on the right, top, and bottom.

Title: clear and concise, maximum 20 words, bold, lowercase, with scientific names in italics.

Authors and affiliations (complete version only): as per the template, indicating the presenting/corresponding author (*) and numbered affiliations (city/state/country).

Keywords: minimum 3 and maximum 6, in alphabetical order.

Financial support: indicate funding agencies/sources (e.g., CAPES, CNPq, FACEPE), if applicable.

Submission versions (Double-Blind Review)

Each abstract must be submitted in two versions, both in PDF and following the template:

Blinded version (for review): without author names, affiliations, acknowledgements, or any element that could identify authorship. This version will be sent to reviewers under a double-blind system.

Complete version (for the proceedings): with the author and affiliation block fully completed as per the template. This is the version published in the proceedings upon approval.

The scientific content of both versions must be identical; the only difference is the presence or absence of authorship identification. Submission of a review version containing author identification may result in disqualification of the abstract.

5. Schedule

Stage	Date / Period
Opening of submissions	July 3, 2026
Closing of submissions	September 18, 2026
Review by ad hoc reviewers	by September 25, 2026
Notification of results to authors	by October 5, 2026
Event (poster presentations)	November 8–10, 2026

The review result is final: the abstract will be approved or rejected; there is no revision or resubmission period.

6. Review process

Abstracts will be evaluated by ad hoc reviewers in a double-blind peer-review system (anonymous to both authors and reviewers). Each abstract will be reviewed by 2 (two) reviewers. The final score is the average of the two reviewers' scores; if the scores differ by more than 3 (three) points, the abstract will be sent to a third reviewer.

Review criteria (maximum score: 10.0 points):

Criterion	Description	Points
Relevance and originality	Novel contribution to the field; relevance to the event theme	0 – 2.5
Clarity and objectivity	Well-structured text; appropriate technical language	0 – 1.5
Methodology	Experimental design described comprehensibly	0 – 2.5
Results and discussion	Data with analysis; conclusions consistent with results	0 – 2.5
Formatting and guidelines	Compliance with the template	0 – 1.0

Approval: abstracts achieving a final score of 6.0 or higher (on a scale of 0 to 10.0) will be approved. Abstracts with borderline scores may be subject to additional review by the Scientific Committee. The result is final and not subject to appeal or resubmission.

7. Abstract presentation

All approved abstracts will be presented as posters during the scientific sessions of the event.

Poster presentations will take place during designated poster sessions (poster display), without an additional on-site evaluation, given the expected high number of submissions. Attendees may approach the authors and ask questions during the session.

The presence of the registered presenting author is mandatory and will be verified during the session. Attendance is a condition for abstract validation and eligibility for awards.

8. Awards

Awards will be granted in the following categories:

Best overall abstract;

Honorable Mention.

Awards will be based on the score obtained during the abstract review (ad hoc review). Eligible abstracts are those approved whose presenting author's attendance has been verified at the poster session. Awards will be announced at the closing session (November 10, 2026), with a distinct certificate issued to each winning abstract.

9. Proceedings publication

Only approved abstracts will be included in the official proceedings of the II IMAS 2026, published on an open-access platform and assigned an ISBN or ISSN. Publication of the abstract is contingent upon payment of the first author's registration fee.

10. Certificates

Presentation and publication certificates will be issued through the event platform, in accordance with the event's rules and deadlines.

11. Final provisions

Submission of an abstract implies full acceptance of the rules set out in this call. Any matters not covered herein will be resolved by the Scientific Committee of the II IMAS 2026.

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