

**Edgbaston Park Hotel, University of Birmingham**  
**Friday 19 September – Sunday 21 September**  
**Provisional programme**



11.00	<i>Tea/coffee and Registration/networking (ongoing all morning)</i>	
12.30	<i>Lunch</i> (including ICRIS representatives meeting)	
14.00	Presidential welcome (Caroline Sanderson) followed by 'Indexing parliamentary papers' (Anya Somerville, House of Commons Library)	
15.30	<i>Tea/coffee</i>	
16.00	Parallel breakout sessions:	
	New indexers (Ruth Martin)	Experienced indexers (Alan Rutter)
17.00	Free time/networking	
18.30	<i>Welcome drinks for first-timers + students</i>	
19.00	<i>Dinner + quiz</i>	

07.30	<i>Breakfast</i>		
09.00	<i>Day delegate registration</i>		
09.15	AI and indexing: 'AI and SI update' (Tanya Izzard) and 'Adapting with agility' (Xiaoyuan [JoJo] Chen, China Society of Indexers)		
10.15	<i>Short break</i>		
10.30	'X-Men united, indexers divided?' A roundtable on differing approaches to indexing the same text (Jolanta Komornicka, Indexing Society of Canada/Société canadienne d'indexation + panel)		
11.30	<i>Tea/coffee</i>		
12.15	Parallel software discussion sessions: SKY Index, Cindex and Macrex		
	SKY Index (facilitators Sheree Mosley and Susie Marques-Jones)	Cindex (facilitator Alexandra Peace, Indexing Society of Canada/Société canadienne d'indexation)	Macrex (facilitator Caroline Diepeveen, SI and Netherlands Indexers Network)
13.00	<i>Lunch</i>		
13.45	Parallel breakout sessions:		
	Embedded indexing (Katharina Munk [Index-Manager] chaired by TBC)	Cross-references (Ann Hudson)	Mindful collage: creative journaling for wellbeing (Lyndsay Marshall)
14.45	<i>Tea/coffee</i>		
15.30	'Working with authors' – panel discussion (Dennis Duncan, Caroline Sanderson and more TBC)		

- 16.30 Lightning talks
- 17.00 Free time/networking
- 18.30 *Gala dinner, followed by after-dinner speaker*

## Sunday 21 September

- 07.30 *Breakfast*
- 09.15 'Humour and bias in indexing'  
(Paula Clarke Bain and Ann Kingdom)
- 10.15 *Tea/coffee*
- 10.45 Parallel breakout sessions:  

'Indexing the *Buildings of England*'  
(Nicola King)

'Reader, I indexed it: strategies for indexing literary criticism'  
(Devon Thomas, American Society for Indexing)
- 11.45 *Short break*
- 12.00 Parallel breakout sessions:  

'Working on large projects'  
(Caroline Diepeveen, SI and Nederlands Indexers Network)

'Indexing emotions and emotional indexing'  
(Ruth Martin)
- 13.00 *Lunch*
- 13.45 Parallel breakout sessions:  

'Breaking the rules'  
(Madelon Nanninga, SI and Nederlands Indexers Network)

'Client communication' (Sue Penny)
- 14.45 Updates from international delegates and looking forward to 2026
- 15.10 Close of conference
- 15.15 *Tea/coffee and networking prior to departure*

## Notes

Precise details and timings are subject to change.

Speakers are members of the Society of Indexers (SI) unless otherwise stated