

# Call for Papers

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## *101<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the EURO Working Group on Multiple Criteria Decision Aiding (EWG-MCDA 101)*

Leeds University Business School, University of Leeds, UK  
16–18 April 2026

### **Deadline Extension Announcement**

The EURO Working Group on MCDA is pleased to announce that the abstract submission deadline has been extended to:

**Tuesday, 11 February 2026 (23:59 GMT).**

### **Conference Theme**

The 101st Meeting of the EURO Working Group on Multiple Criteria Decision Aiding (EWG-MCDA) will bring together researchers and practitioners to discuss recent advances in MCDA theory, methodology, and applications, with a particular focus on explainability, transparency, and sustainability in decision making. The conference theme this time will be “Explainable and Sustainable Decisions”.

The two days of meeting (Thursday, April 16, 2026 to Friday, April 17, 2026) will be held at the University of Leeds. This is followed by the optional get-together walking tour of York, which will take place on April 18, 2026. A more detail programme will be available once this has been finalised (after the registration deadline).

### **Scope and Topics**

Contributions are invited on all aspects of MCDA, including (but not limited to):

- Explainable and interpretable MCDA methods
- MCDA and explainable artificial intelligence (XAI)
- Sustainability assessment and environmental decision support
- Energy systems, climate, and policy decision making
- Robustness, fairness, and uncertainty in MCDA models
- Preference elicitation and group decision making
- Applications of MCDA in public, industrial, and social contexts

### **Submission and Contact**

Submission details are available at <https://ewgmcda101.leeds.ac.uk>

For enquiries, please contact [ewgmcda101@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:ewgmcda101@leeds.ac.uk)



## Where to stay in Leeds?

**Accommodation Information:** There are a number of hotels in the city centre most of which are a walking distance from the University of Leeds. [This map](#) shows the location of hotels within Leeds.

We recommend to book early to avoid disappointment.

## How to get to Leeds?

If you are travelling to Leeds, the following guide provide helpful information related to the process.

### Visa and Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA)

**Visa:** Even if you have travelled to the UK recently, all attendees are recommended to check if a visa is needed to enter the UK. Please see this [online form](#). Attendees are also reminded that in some cases visas may be required if you are transiting through a particular country. Please check your flight schedule carefully and consult the relevant governmental website for visa information.

**Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA):** As of April 2025, all visitors who do not need a visa will need an electronic travel authorisation (ETA) to travel to or transit through the UK. Please see [this information sheet](#) from Visit Britain. The [UK GOV website](#) has more information on ETA requirements. Please check if you need to apply for a ETA on the [UK Gov website](#). **Please note, we are aware of a number of websites and travel agencies who suggest delegates should process their ETA application with them. This is not needed and often comes at a greater cost. We recommend all delegates to process their ETA application through the UK Gov Website.**

### Travel By Air

Leeds Bradford Airport (LBA): [Leeds Bradford](#) is our local airport around 12km (7.5 miles) from the University of Leeds. The A1 bus runs every 20 minutes, 7 days a week from 04:30 to 23:55 each day. It connects the airport with Leeds City Square (adjacent to the railway station) and Leeds City Bus and Coach Station. Taxis can be booked in advance, or from the booking office outside the main terminal.

Manchester International Airport (MAN): Approximately 90km (60 miles) from the University, Manchester is a major airport with direct flights from nearly 200 international airports. A train station at the airport offers direct services to Leeds Rail Station, with a journey time of 1hr 15mins.

London (Heathrow, Gatwick, and Stansted): There are various direct connections from Europe to London. Flights can be booked with several major airlines to three key destinations: Heathrow, Gatwick, and Stansted airports. Once in London, there are various direct connections to Leeds by rail (from London King's Cross) or bus (from London Victoria Station).

### **Travel By Rail**

Leeds Railway Station: Leeds Railway Station offers direct services to London King's Cross, Manchester, Liverpool, Hull, Birmingham, Newcastle, Edinburgh and across the UK. The station is approximately 1.6km (1 mile) from campus, a 20-minute walk. The 1 and 1B bus provides a frequent service between the station and Woodhouse Lane, outside the Parkinson Building, and taxis are available outside the main entrance.

### **Travel By Coach/Bus**

Leeds City Bus and Coach Station: Leeds City Bus and Coach Station is 2km (1.25 miles) from campus, a 25-minute walk. There is an extensive network of coach services within the UK and, through Eurolines, to cities throughout mainland Europe. This method of travel is usually the least expensive, often a third of the cost of rail travel.

### **Travel By Car:**

**We encourage all delegates to use alternative methods of transport where possible as parking on campus is limited.** A very limited number of blue badge parking spaces are available on campus. Due to University of Leeds policy, all drivers need to pay for their parking space whether they have a blue badge or not. These must be pre-booked during registration. There is no parking available on campus for non-blue badge holders.

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