Session Types [WE18]

- **Lecture/Workshop Presentation** (45 minutes for lecture and 15 minutes for Q&A for 60 minutes total) Lectures are the standard conference session type where subject matter experts (SME) can share an overview and best practices on an identified topic to a large session, as many as 200 attendees may attend, so there is minimal group discussion.

- **Lightning Talks** (short format – 15 minutes each/typically 3 scheduled during an hour) Lightning talks are a short thought-provoking presentation lasting only 10 minutes with 5 minutes provided for question and answers. SWE typically schedules three talks each hour and groups the lightning talks according to identified themes.

- **Panel discussion** (60-75 minutes) Panel discussions are designed to provide the opportunity to learn from multiple subject matter experts (SMEs) on their past experiences and personal views on identified topics or themes.