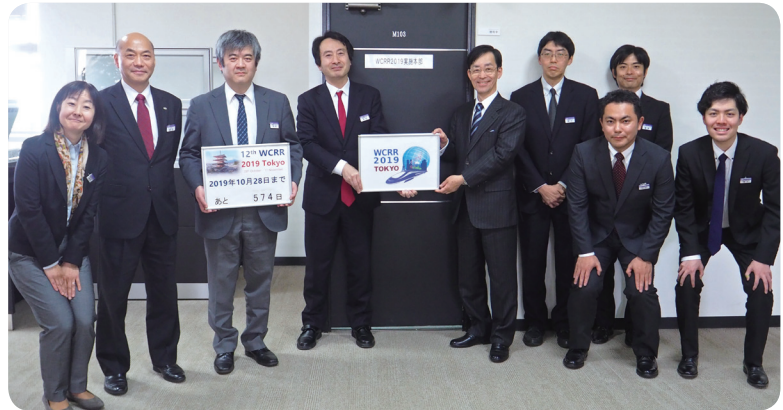


# The 12th World Congress on Railway Research (WCRR 2019)



RTRI will host *The 12th World Congress on Railway Research (WCRR 2019)* that will take place in Tokyo, Japan, from October 28 to November 1, 2019, at the Tokyo International Forum, a multi-purpose exhibition center. The theme of the congress will be **“Railway research to enhance the customer experience”**.

WCRR was established for the purpose of providing an overview of the world’s development of railway technologies and discussing future directions to be taken by railway operators. This is the world’s largest international congress on railway research, proudly unprecedented in the sense that railway researchers and engineers gather together with managers and executives of railway operators in one congress. More than 1100 people took part in the 11th WCRR held in Milan in 2016.

Breakthroughs in research and development will be indispensable, and sometimes radical innovation to break out of the barriers of conventional railway systems might be necessary. Therefore, at WCRR 2019, we would like to provide the time and place where railway delegates from around the world are able to share their views regarding the roles that research and development are expected to play in order to further elevate the values of railways, while railway engineers and other experts are able to share information and expertise. Your participation in all possible forms will be highly appreciated in order to achieve these goals.

In the autumn of 2019, when we host WCRR, the Rugby World Cup will also come to Japan, and will be followed the next year, in 2020, by the Tokyo Olympic Games. As a result, We firmly believe that in the year 2019, you will be able to experience a highly-charged, vibrant metropolis of Tokyo.

## CONGRESS OVERVIEW

### Congress name:

*The 12th World Congress on Railway Research (WCRR 2019)*

### Dates:

October 28 (Monday) to November 1 (Friday), 2019

### Venue:

Tokyo International Forum (3-5-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0005)

<https://www.t-i-forum.co.jp/en/>

### Host organization:

Railway Technical Research Institute (RTRI, Japan)

### Organizations of the WCRR 2019 Organizing and Executive Committees:

- Union Internationale des Chemins de fer (UIC)
- Transportation Technology Center, Inc. (TTCI), a subsidiary of the Association of American Railroads (AAR, U.S.A.)
- Rail Safety and Standards Board (RSSB, U.K.)
- Société Nationale des Chemins de fer Français (SNCF, France)
- Deutsche Bahn AG (DB, Germany)
- Trenitalia, Gruppo Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane (FS, Italy)
- Railway Technical Research Institute (RTRI, Japan)

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION PROCESS

**Abstracts must be submitted through the official WCRR 2019 website ([www.wcrr2019.org](http://www.wcrr2019.org))** using the on-line conference management system that can be accessed through the website.