Section II: Discussants on Panels with Pre-Recording Presenters

Please see previous section for information on the benefits of pre-recording and what to expect for presenters that are self-recording their presentations.

How Discussants Can Support Pre-Recorded Presentations

As discussants, you have a different role than the presenters in each session. Your feedback is essential to the presenter. So, how can you help and support the speakers and their pre-recorded presentations? What can you do to help each session run more smoothly or be more valuable for the presenter?

Each session with pre-recorded presentations will have its own page on the virtual platform, featuring the pre-recorded presentation and a feedback box (see sample pre-recorded presentation page below).

When watching a pre-recorded presentation, your screen will look like this. Each pre-recording will begin at its scheduled time, with the chat box and Q&A features both available while the video is playing.
Discussants have a unique role in each session with their feedback being essential to the presenter. **If you’re a discussant on this panel, some ways you can support and help the pre-recorded presenters have a successful event include (but are not limited to):**

**In Advance of the Meeting:**
- Review the pre-record guide for discussants.
- View the pre-recording in its entirety. The deadline to upload pre-recordings is **September 16**. Pre-recordings will become available for discussants to review on our live virtual platform the same week.
- Prepare and send any initial feedback to the pre-recording presenter.
- Discussants for Full Pre-Recording Sessions:
  - Work with your fellow panelists to schedule a date to pre-record your session as a seamless presentation.
  - Your panel will also need to decide on a date for papers to be circulated for review and feedback. **This date should take place in advance of your session’s scheduled pre-recording.**

**During the Meeting:**
- During the in-person panel, reference the pre-recorded presentation and indicate where audience members can find it.
- Share comments and integrate the pre-recording into the discussion onsite.

**After the Meeting:**
- Provide notes post-session on details relevant to the pre-recorded presenter via the session page on the virtual platform or by email.

We strongly encourage panel discussants work the pre-recorded presentation into their discussions during the session, reference the pre-recording and where to find it, and make note of relevant points from the onsite discussion to share with the pre-recorded presenter.

If you are a discussant and have questions about how to do this, feel free to reach out to **Lynanne Lowry** at llowry@apsanet.org.