This session/demo will overview where we stand w.r.t creating persistent IDs for conferences. Such PIDs help one to record metadata about the conferences and, especially when applied to conferences publishing formal proceedings, enable more efficient decision making for researchers, libraries, publishers, funding and evaluation bodies. We will first look at the Springer Linked Open Data (LOD) conference portal (started in 2015 and available at http://lod.springer.com). We will then present a summary of discussions that took place at PIDapalooza 2016 and AAHEP9 summit. Last but not the least, we will report on the activities of the CrossRef/DataCite group on conference and project identifiers: https://www.crossref.org/blog/taking-the-con-out-of-conferences/