

First call for symposia to ICE2020Helsinki

18-24 July 2020

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Section 3 “Biological Control and Insect Pathology”

Includes, *e.g.*, predators, parasitoids, parasites, pathogens, and biocontrol of weeds by insects

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Call for Section 3 symposium proposals by 30 October 2018

General information for symposia proponents

The ICE2020Helsinki congress will take place from 19 to 24 July, 2020, and will be arranged in sections representing major fields of entomological interest. Each section will include a number of symposia. Section 3 “Biological Control and Insect Pathology” is expected to include about 20 Symposia. The three conveners are both preparing a list of potential symposia topics and considering potential symposium organizers, while also supporting this call for symposium topic proposals. The final list will be selected based on achieving a broad and topical coverage of the field for the ICE2020Helsinki congress. The purpose of this document is to seek symposium ideas from anyone wishing to propose one,

The ICE2020 Helsinki congress intends to attract world leaders as symposium organizers who will be able to identify cutting-edge topics and to assemble the best-available established researchers, and excellent younger researchers, to present their work. Each symposium will have at least two organizers, one of which will be ‘local’, and one will be designated as being in charge of the symposium. The symposium organizers will decide which contributions are most suited as poster presentations or as talks. The organizers will function as moderators during the oral presentations.

Symposium presentations will be 15 minutes each (including time for questions), allowing for the possibility of one ‘double-presentation’/keynote talk of 30 minutes (*i.e.*, 20 minutes for the talk and 10 minutes for questions/discussion). There will be eight presentations per symposium (or seven if a keynote talk is included). Oral presentations will be given daily from 9:00 to 11:00, from 13:00 to 15:00, and from 15:30 to 17:30. Plenary presentations will be scheduled from 11:00 to 12:00. Topic-specific, 5-minute, separate ‘pitching talks’ (4 minutes for the talk and 1 minute for turn-around time), may also be arranged during or at the end of each regular symposium section. The ‘pitching talks’ will be videotaped, streamed to large screen(s) in the poster/exhibition area, and stored on the congress website for later access (if the individual presenters agree to this).

Financial policies and principles will follow those at ICE2016 in Orlando, Florida, USA. Each contributor will have to pay his/her own registration fees. The general ICE2020 Helsinki congress organizational funding will not be used to support symposium organizers or the invited speakers.

Selected symposium organizers will be encouraged to initiate and arrange for publication of the proceedings in suitable journals, in special issues of journals, and/or in books that highlight advances in the topics presented at the congress.

What to include when submitting symposium proposals as part of this call

Proposals to organize a symposium at ICE2020Helsinki should be submitted by email to ice-2020@helsinki.fi or via the on-line submission system at the ICE2020Helsinki website (https://submit.peeraeofscience.org/conference/ICE_2020). Proposals should include:

- A brief background/justification of why the chosen topic is timely, interesting and appropriate;
- The names of the proposed symposium organizers (naming the lead organizer);
- A preliminary, and perhaps incomplete, list of speakers and the provisional titles of their talks;
- Tentative plans for symposium sponsorships; and
- Plans in respect of publication of the symposium proceedings.

Please submit your proposals by 30 October 2018 at the latest. Decisions about acceptance of the symposium proposals will be announced after consultation with the ICE2020Helsinki Scientific Committee and the section organizers. Further calls will be made later, upon advice from the ICE2020Helsinki Scientific Committee and the section organizers.

Invitations to potential speakers

Once a symposium has been accepted, symposium organizers can invite their selected speakers to participate. All presenting authors must be registered congress participants, and only one presentation per participant will be allowed (but registered attendees may be non-presenting contributors to any number of talks/posters).

Promoting the symposia

The ICE2020Helsinki organizers will announce and advertise all accepted symposia in the congress website, and in other congress communications (ICE Newsletters, etc.). Symposium organizers will be expected to promote their symposia by any appropriate means (*e.g.*, special events or meetings, personal websites, working-group websites, etc.).

Proposals for contributed papers by individuals

Individual scientists who are registered to attend ICE2020 Helsinki may submit proposals for inclusion of their oral presentations. If time allows, selected, related talks will be grouped into “Contributed paper symposia” or incorporated by the symposium organizers into their symposia.

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