



NEWSLETTER April 2022

Dear Entomologist, Dear Participant,

- **Editing of submitted abstracts** is now possible. See instructions at the ICE2020Helsinki website <https://ice2020helsinki.fi/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Editing-your-submitted-abstract-at-ICE2022-portal.pdf>
- **IMPORTANT DEADLINES** (listed at our website as of 5 April 2022)
 1. **NEW Abstracts for presentations** can be submitted until **Tuesday 19 April 2022**. AFTER 19 April 2022 **no new presentation abstracts will be accepted**. This applies to all types of presentations (oral, or poster) and submissions to the Open Call, as well as to abstracts for presentations in specific symposia.
 2. **Editing of submitted and accepted “old” abstracts** is available until **12 May 2022**. This applies to all abstracts submitted since submissions started for the initial dates of the congress. The ‘old’ abstracts have been transferred to our new portal – there is no need to resubmit to the new portal.
 3. **Transfer of registration** to another person must be requested **by Tuesday 19 April 2022**. After that no transfers will be made. Thank you for all the requests for transfer. It showed to us that our system works. We will deal with every transfer request made prior to, or latest on 19 April.
 4. **Letters of Invitation** have to be requested latest on **Tuesday 19 April**. After that no letters of invitation will be issued. NOTE: **This deadline has been shortened from the previously announced deadline.**
 5. **Presenting authors must pay the registration fee** by **Monday 2 May 2022** in order to keep their presentation in the congress programme, and to have the abstract published in the Book of Abstracts. After 2 May 2022 presentations by delegates who have not paid the registration fee will be deleted.
 6. **The end of registration** to ICE2022Helsinki at the regular registration rate will close on **31 May 2022**. After that only walk-in (on-site) registrations are possible. Limited number of walk-in registrations are available, due to covid19 restrictions. Please note that our rented space at the Helsinki Convention Center and the safety requirements due to covid pandemic, might result in turning away on spot registrations.

The deadlines above reflect the increased complexity of congress management, caused by rescheduling the conference twice due to the pandemic.

- HUB-Day, Wednesday 20 July 2022: program has been finalised and is available at our website: <https://ice2020helsinki.fi/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Hub-Day-program.pdf>
- Accompanying Persons' Programme has been finalised. See <https://ice2020helsinki.fi/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Accompanying-Persons-Programme.pdf>
Available to all registered accompanying persons (check the registration page information at your personal site for the congress).
- Visit the insect collections at the Finnish Museum of Natural History during your stay! See information at our website. Link to reserving a visiting time-slot: [https://www.lyyti.fi/reg/Booking Access to LUOMUS Insect Collection 2022 5219](https://www.lyyti.fi/reg/Booking%20Access%20to%20LUOMUS%20Insect%20Collection%202022%205219)
- Viewing the award-winning film on moths by a Finnish producer, in collaboration with the Finnish Science Center Heureka. Heureka will arrange special sessions to show the film to ICE2022Helsinki participants two times per day during the week, in their fulldome theatre. A guided visit will be organized on Thursday 21 July 2022 targeted mainly for accompanying persons. Heureka is 15 min train-ride from the center of Helsinki, covered by the free travelcard provided to all ICE2022Helsinki participants. See film trailer at: <https://www.heureka.fi/the-secret-world-of-moths-hop/>
- Ecological city walks – open to all, but priority to accompanying persons. To be organized on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at lunchtime. Sign-up at the registration desk is mandatory, 20 persons/group. Introductory presentation to the Ecological city walks by prof. Stephen Venn on Monday 18 July.
- Nature adventure tours suggested to all participants: see inspirational ideas for pre-congress and port-congress adventures. Please prepare your visit to Finland **now, and book early**. <https://ice2020helsinki.fi/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Nature-adventure-tours-in-Finland.pdf>
- General info:

PREPARE YOUR VISIT TO FINLAND NOW!

Get to know the location of the Helsinki Congress and Exhibition center Messukeskus. Take a virtual tour: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dRbCVMmWnTs>

Some of our hotels at the ICE2022 web-site are close to the Convention Center. Check out! HOLIDAY Inn HOTEL is located in the Convention Center.

Check out unconventional accommodation possibilities. You will receive at the registration the pass for free use of the public transportation in Helsinki for one week. Public transportation in Helsinki is super punctual, super convenient, safe and comfortable.

Due to geopolitical events the train connections between Helsinki and St. Petersburg / Moscow are resting. Get the info for your personal stay / travel from reliable sources and start planning.

Welcome Booth at Helsinki airport on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 July 2022: The ICE2022 Welcome Booth is located in the Arrivals Hall after you have cleared the customs area. Please drop by and meet some of our volunteers to welcome you to Finland and Helsinki!

Covid situation: check if your vaccination status is OK for crossing borders. If you are not vaccinated, check the regulations for entry and testing:

<https://raja.fi/en/guidelines-for-border-traffic-during-pandemic>

If you need a covid test for leaving Finland and your return to your home country: test stations at the Helsinki airport provide testing service:

<https://www.finavia.fi/en/covid-19-tests-helsinki-airport>

Sincerely yours,

Heikki Hokkanen

President of the ICE2022Helsinki Organizing Committee



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