

Corona-Virus Pandemic Statement

The spread of the corona virus has reached pandemic size. Thus, the ISHPMIE from July 27-31, 2020 is in question. It is practically impossible to make a prediction at this moment, but at the present time one can still hope that the situation will relax till summer. The health of the conference participants is the most important thing for us in any case and the conference organizers will take this into account with the greatest possible sense of responsibility.

We are going to decide by April 30, 2020 whether we can hold the Symposium, or we have to cancel it. We will be guided by WHO's general advice, the situation in Germany and foreseeable travel bans. In the meantime, we will continue to prepare the symposium as usual. Below you will find the most important information:

Date of the symposium: It will not be possible to postpone the date within the year 2020.

Paper: Please continue all activities to improve the conference contributions. All contributions accepted for presentation at the symposium will undergo a review. Even if a cancellation is necessary, we are going to compile and to publish the conference proceedings.

Registration: We are preparing the symposium as planned. The authors and interested participants are asked to register for the symposium in April. However, we ask that you only pay the participation fee after the decision date mentioned above. We will fully reimburse any participation fees paid in the event of a cancellation. We have extended early bird registration to May 15th to give participants flexibility to make their own decisions.

Flights and accommodation: The hotel reservations proposed by us can be canceled free of charge. We cannot accept any responsibility for flight bookings. We recommend that you be aware of the costs that may arise.

Visa: We assume that the application procedure is still possible after the decision date mentioned above.

We wish everyone good health for the coming weeks and hope, despite all difficulties, that we can meet in Braunschweig in July.

On behalf of the Organizing Committees

Michael Beyer (Symposium Chair)