

Dear Registrant,

Thank you for your interest in our upcoming ECCWO-5 Symposium. We have received over 630 abstracts, and over 660 people have registered for the Symposium.

Due to the high volume of abstract submissions, not all requests for talks could be accommodated.

If you have not received our Notification Email about your paper acceptance, please read this information and send your confirmation email to secretariat@pices.int by **January 5, 2022**. Include Session Number, PaperID Number, and Presenter's name on the Subject Line of your email. Below is a section about how to confirm your presentation.

About **90 abstracts were submitted to the wrong sessions**. The Session and Workshop Convenors did their best to place these abstracts into the most suitable sessions/workshops. A special "**General Poster**" Session was created for the abstracts that could not be placed into any session/workshop but which still fit the Symposium Theme.

Information about submitted papers – their **Session/Workshop placements, PaperIDs, granted presentation types, potential replacements** in case of cancellation – can be found on the Symposium website, "Submitted Abstracts" link on the right-side menu or use this direct link:

https://pices.int/meetings/international_symposia/2023/ECCWO-5/ECCWO-5-sub-abstracts.aspx

Please check the above link with the 'Submitted Abstracts' table to **verify the title, presenter, and authors** for your abstract(s). *If you require any changes, specify them in your confirmation.*

If you submitted a paper with a request for an Oral presentation, but your paper was granted a Poster presentation type, please check the "**Potential Replacement**" column. If you see **REP-(number)** in your record, this means that your paper is on the list of replacements in case someone cancels their talk.

The **duration** of all **contributed talks** is 15 min (includes 12 min for a talk [warning at 10 minutes] and 3 min for Q&A), **most invited** talks - 30 min (includes 5 min for Q&A). Times will be strictly adhered to, and presenters will be asked to stop if they run over so that parallel sessions can run to the same timing and allow people to move between sessions. Detailed schedules will be available in February-March.

Confirm your attendance and presentation(s) by **January 5, 2023**.

Read information below about how to confirm.

ON-LINE participants with ORAL Presentations, please send us your recorded talks by **April 1, 2023**.

Please, note that you will NOT be presenting live. You will be able to ask and answer the questions live.

ALL participants with POSTERS (ON-LINE and IN-PERSON), please send us your digital posters by **April 1, 2023**. *Read information below about hosting digital posters.*

Our intent is to facilitate remote attendance and to have balanced sessions with oral presentations that are in-person and remote (remote talks will be pre-recorded with the author available **on-line** for questions after).

On-line participants will be able to find links to all sessions on the **Whova app**.

More information will be provided to registered participants in due course.

The **poster session** will be **interactive for in-person attendees ONLY**. We will also host online digital posters for the week of the conference (PDF or short, <5 min video) and share links with registered participants for viewing at any time during the week, but **there won't be a virtual poster session**. This is why we ask all poster presenters (in-person and on-line) to send us their digital posters by April 1, 2023. More information about posters will be available on the Symposium Website:

<https://meetings.pices.int/meetings/international/2023/ECCWO-5/Poster-Session>

HOW TO CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE and PRESENTATION(S)

1. If you are ATTENDING the Symposium:

Send an email to secretariat@pices.int **by January 5**.

Add "ACCEPT IN-PERSON" at the beginning of the subject line (if you are going to attend the Symposium in person)

Add "ACCEPT ON-LINE" at the beginning of the subject line (if you are going to attend the Symposium on-line)

Followed with the PaperID, Presenter's name, ECCWO-5, Session/Workshop Number, Granted Presentation Type.

(Use the link "Submitted Abstracts" to **get your all information you need from the table**

https://pices.int/meetings/international_symposia/2023/ECCWO-5/ECCWO-5-sub-abstracts.aspx)

For example,

A Presenter Lady Gaga, who is going to attend **in person**, and accepts a talk in Session 1 with the PaperID=58876 should reply with:

ACCEPT IN-PERSON, PaperID=58876, Lady Gaga Re: ECCWO-5, Session 1, granted type "Oral".

A Presenter Justin Bieber, who is going to attend **on-line**, and accepts a poster in Session 2 with the PaperID=58855 should reply with:

ACCEPT ON-LINE, PaperID= 58855, Justin Bieber Re: ECCWO-5, Session 2, granted type "Poster".

If you are not sure yet about how you are going to attend – IN-PERSON or ON-LINE – *please omit participation type and just respond with ACCEPT.*

2. If you want to CANCEL your participation:

Respond to this email (do not write a new email) **by January 5**.

Add "CANCEL" and your "PaperID" and "Presenter" name at the beginning of the subject line.

CANCEL PaperID= 58844, Adam Levine Re: ECCWO-5, Session 4, granted type "Oral". This is important so we can give the space to another participant in a timely way.

HOW TO SEND us BIG FILES

If you do not have any other options, please use **WeTransfer** (wetransfer.com) that allows sending files up to 2 GB free of charge.

[WeTransfer - Send Large Files & Share Photos Online - Up to 2GB Free](#)

More information about the Symposium.

General Schedule Draft

Will be available on the Symposium website soon.

Symposium Structure

- All **oral sessions** will be **hybrid** (in-person and interactive on-line participation). On-line participants will be able to find links to all sessions on the **Whova app**. (more information will be provided to registered participants in due course).
- All **workshops** will be **in-person** only.
- **Poster session** will be **in-person** (**non-interactive on-line** viewing).

Symposium Structure details are available on the website:

<https://meetings.pices.int/meetings/international/2023/eccwo-5/structure>

The Discounted Registration Fee deadline is **January 15, 2023**.

In-person Registration Fee

Covers all workshops and session participation, lunch Monday to Friday (not on Sunday during workshops), coffee breaks, welcome reception and Poster reception. The Symposium Dinner is **NOT** included, and more information will be posted on the website about the dinner in due course.

On-line Registration Fee

Covers all interactive session participation and non-interactive poster hosting and viewing on-line. ON-LINE registration for STUDENTS (proof of ID is required) and participants from Developing countries is FREE.

Registration fee details

<https://meetings.pices.int/meetings/international/2023/eccwo-5/registration>

Contact the right person

Due to the very high number of registrants and questions, please help our small staff by directing your question(s) to the right person. Please familiarize yourselves with our staff's Symposium responsibilities:

<https://meetings.pices.int/meetings/international/2023/eccwo-5/contact>

“How To” page

“How To” page is still under development.

If you have any important question(s) or information from which you think other participants might benefit, please send this information to PICES Secretariat (secretariat@pices.int).

<https://meetings.pices.int/meetings/international/2023/ECCWO-5/howto>

News

Please check the News for updates.

<https://meetings.pices.int/meetings/international/2023/eccwo-5/news>

We look forward to seeing you all – in-person or on-line!

Best wishes,

Julia

(secretariat@pices.int)

On behalf of the Sessions’ Convenors and Symposium Organizers