



ICP2020 13-15 JULY 2021 VIRTUAL EVENT

XXX INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POLYPHENOLS

Dear Colleagues,

In the middle of these extraordinary times, we are happy to announce that the XXX International Conference on Polyphenols (ICP2020TURKU), will be organized fully virtually on 13–15 July 2021. This way we do not need to reschedule or cancel the conference any further, but we all can be prepared to have a great virtual meeting that takes benefit of all recent developments in these virtual platforms.

## VIRTUAL CONFERENCE PLATFORM OFFERS NEW POSSIBILITIES

It is unfortunate we cannot meet at the beautiful city of Turku during the Finnish summertime. However, recent progress in the virtual conference platforms strongly suggests that we can have a very solid scientific conference with different types of possibilities for the exchange of research findings and ideas. For instance, we plan to open the platform early so that posters can be seen and discussed. We also leave the virtual platform open for weeks after the conference so that all oral video presentations can be viewed and discussed by everyone. Other virtual options will be added as well.

## ALREADY SUBMITTED ABSTRACTS ARE STILL VALID BUT CAN BE UPDATED

Once the COVID-19 halted the ICP2020 preparations last spring, we were in the middle of choosing the oral presentations between the **main topics of the conference**, on the basis of the 1-page abstracts. We will open the Abstract submission system in January 2021 so that new abstracts can be submitted and the existing ones can be modified. Read the **instructions for the abstract** and send the abstract to us by 15 February 2021.

## **INCREASED VISIBILITY WITH EVEN 90 CHANCES FOR ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

The scientific program includes **14 invited plenaries** and close to 80 selected talks together with poster sessions. PhD students and postdocs are given special opportunities in young scientists sessions. The number of these parallel sessions will be decided on the basis of the abstracts submitted by the young scientists. All the oral presentations will be recorded and the videos remain to be viewed on the virtual platform for weeks after the conference. This way even the young scientists have increased possibilities for good visibility and scientific discussions.

## **HIGHLY AFFORDABLE REGISTRATION FEES**

The conference registration will be opened again in January. We will update the registration fees and they will be even more affordable than previously. This makes the ICP2020TURKU a great opportunity for young scientists especially, since travel and accommodation costs are obviously low as well. Still, you can apply for the **GP Grant** to make the conference even more affordable!

Let's show the world how one tiny virus cannot halt polyphenol sciences from flourishing! We are looking forward to organizing a great ICP2020TURKU meeting for you. Feel free to circulate this announcement and the attached advertisement to everyone interested in the fascinating world of polyphenols!

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