

ISMH 15 – Hamburg 12 to 15 June 2019

Sea, Port, Health and Environment

Announcement and call for abstracts

The upcoming 15th International Symposium on Maritime Health (ISMH15) will be held at HafenCity University Hamburg, Germany, from 12 to 15 June 2019. Six months ahead of the symposium, the preparations are well on track.

Under the auspices of the International Maritime Health Association (IMHA), ISMH15 will convene under the motto “Sea, Port, Health & Environment”. Experts from the field will present the most recent scientific results from research and discuss innovative approaches in maritime health. The conference programme will include keynote lectures, invited presentations, abstract-based oral and poster sessions, panel discussions and working group meetings. Additional interdisciplinary satellite symposia, for example on offshore medicine or on health threats at points of entry, will be held to enlarge the scientific scope. The ISMH15 organizers very much welcome further initiatives and proposals for topics to be covered in thematic sessions at the symposium. If you wish to develop such a thematic session, please see the contact details below.

Hamburg is a perfect location for the biannual symposium in maritime health. Hamburg harbours the largest German seaport. The conference venue at the recently opened HafenCity University is located directly on the waterfront at the seaport’s edge, within the unique architecture of transforming harbour areas. It is the ideal place to discuss results of scientific research as well as its practical implications in the context of healthy working and living at sea and port.

Registration for the conference starts by end of December 2018 on: <http://www.ismh15.com>

We look forward to welcoming you to Hamburg and to your contribution to ISMH15!

Volker Harth
President ISMH15

Call for abstracts

The IMHA is pleased to invite authors from around the world to submit abstracts for presentation at ISMH15. This is an opportunity to share your latest research with international colleagues dedicated to the field of maritime health. Abstracts on all aspects of health in the maritime world are welcomed and may be submitted in the following categories: Autonomous shipping; Chemical and physical hazards; Chronic diseases; Cruise medicine; E-health and shipping; Emissions and shipping; Environment and health; Ethics in maritime medicine; Fishery; Infectious diseases; Inland waterway shipping; Mental health and psychosocial factors; Miscellaneous; Musculoskeletal disorders/ergonomics; Offshore medicine; Port health; Pre-employment medical examination; Preventive medicine; Research in maritime medicine; Sea rescue; Ship sanitation; Telemedical Maritime Assistance Service (TMAS); Training/education; Travel medicine; Urban development, transforming harbour areas and health; Wellbeing, gender and culture.

There will be both oral and poster presentations at ISMH15. Oral presentations will be organized in plenary and parallel sessions, in workshop format and panel discussions. Posters will be presented during guided poster walks. Please make your choice and submit your abstract electronically via the conference website: <http://www.ismh15.com>

On the website you will find detailed information on abstract format and requirements. All abstracts will be evaluated by the scientific committee of ISMH15.

Abstract submission is now open and closes by **15 January 2019**.

If you want to propose and develop a thematic session, please contact: Volker.Harth@bgv.hamburg.de

We are looking forward to your contribution!