

## First Circular – 42<sup>nd</sup> ICAME Conference

**Dear ICAMErs,**

It is now little more than two months to go till ICAME42 will take place. As the Corona figures are currently developing into a reassuring direction and international vaccination programs are making progress, we remain confident that ICAME42 can continue with its onsite element in addition to the online element. Accordingly, we have recently sent out the ICAME bills to registered participants and we would be grateful to delegates for prompt settlement of the bills.

### Workshops

If you are participating in a workshop, you will soon be contacted by your workshop organizers about the formats of the talks. Workshops are scheduled on Wednesday, August 18th between 10AM to 5PM (CEST). The exact workshop times are determined in due course by the workshop organizers. Some workshops are held hybridly, others are organized fully online. Prerecorded workshop presentations should be submitted in mp4 format and should not exceed the time limit given to you by your workshop organizers. Submission procedures will be announced in due course, and submissions should be made by August 2nd to ensure safe upload to the conference platform Vimeo.

### Papers at the main conference

Papers at the main conference are either onsite or online, depending on whether delegates registered for onsite or digital presentation. Research blurbs should be 3-5 minutes. Onsite contributions should be 20 minutes for full and 10 minutes for WIPs. Digital contributions submitted as WIP should be around 10 minutes and should not exceed 15 minutes. Digital contributions submitted as full papers should be around 20 minutes and should not exceed 25 minutes. Prerecorded presentations should be submitted in mp4 format. Digital contributions must reach the organizers 2 weeks before the start of the conference (August 2nd) to ensure safe upload of the contribution to the conference platform Vimeo. Submission procedures will be announced in due course. The digital contributions will be made available before the official start of the conference and comments on the digital submissions will likewise be enabled. Digital participants will additionally be given the opportunity to meet in topic-specific online zoom sessions to discuss thematically related papers. As far as possible, different international time zones are taken into consideration in scheduling these discussion sessions.

### Interactions between onsite and digital participants

ICAME42 will run two parallel strands: one strand hosts the onsite-papers. The second strand consists of the thematic discussion sessions, to which online participants may but do not need to contribute. We further offer both onsite and online coffee breaks as well as the option of meeting up on a social networking space to allow discussions between onsite and online participants. Onsite participants should also bring along laptop computers to be able to interact with online participants and to take part in online voting.

## **Social program**

The onsite social program features a welcome reception in the early evening of August 18, an evening off on Thursday, August 19th to explore Dortmund. In the afternoon of August 20th, we will have a boat trip. The conference dinner will take place in the evening of August 20th. The conference closes in the afternoon of Saturday 21st.

## **Accommodation**

Onsite participants who have not yet booked accommodation are encouraged to do so soon. We recommend staying at the conference venue, Dorint Hotel Dortmund (<https://hotel-dortmund.dorint.com/de>). Alternative options are available in the city of Dortmund. Please bear in mind that only participants who have registered for onsite participation can attend the conference physically.

Best wishes,

The ICAME42 organizers