WE ARE DELIGHTED TO BE ORGANISING THE 18TH INTERNATIONAL *XENOPUS* CONFERENCE AT THE EXRC, PORTSMOUTH, UK ON 15-19 AUGUST 2021.



The International *Xenopus* Conference is the premier forum for researchers using *Xenopus* for biomedical research. The conference will offer talks on diverse topics in this field. There will be many opportunities for interaction between participants.

Considering the development of the CV-19 pandemic around the globe, the Organising Committee has decided to run the 18th International *Xenopus* conference, originally scheduled to take place in Portsmouth, UK on August 12-15, 2020, as a virtual conference with a possibility of an in-person event. This decision aims at providing clarity to our participants and sponsors and help them plan for a rewarding *Xenopus* conference.



Given the desire of all of us to meet again in person and share our latest research, we endeavour to provide an in-person element held at the University of Portsmouth. However, due to the circumstances many of you may prefer to attend the virtual component, which will keep you up to date and give you an opportunity to interact with other researchers.

We are excited to have our first virtual conference experience as hosts. The Organising Committee is hard at work adapting the programme to a virtual friendly format.

For the 2021 virtual conference, participants will have access to over 30 live sessions with extra 5 plenary talks. The content will be available on-demand for 1 month after the conference. In addition, attendees will be able to network with some leading scientists ar virtual tables to discuss topics such as "Women in science", "Early-career researchers" and "*Xenopus tropicalis* - health and care". All of this at your fingertips from anywhere in the world.

We are thrilled to announce that registration for the 18th International *Xenopus* Conference 2021 is now open! You can book your place at the early bird rate until 30 June.

SPEAKERS Speakers are yet to be confirmed

REGISTRATION AND COST

This event is now open for bookings. Please register through the link below: <u>Register NOW</u>

SPONSORS

This meeting is kindly supported by the International *Xenopus* Board (IXB) to whom we are extremely grateful.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Abstract submissions are now open until midnight BST Monday 10th May 2020. Successful abstract submissions will be directly notified.

We look forward to a great 18th International *Xenopus* Conference!

Kind regards Magdalena Moszynska Senior Project Co-ordinator of the European *Xenopus* Resource Centre

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