Join us for the 33rd International Congress on Occupational Health 2021 (ICOH 2021) to be held in Melbourne, Australia from 21-26 March 2021. The Australian and New Zealand Society of Occupational Medicine (ANZSOM) in partnership with the International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH) is proud to be hosting the Congress and we look forward to welcoming you to Melbourne.

The triennial Congress is recognised as the major Congress in the world for occupational health professionals, policy makers, academics and researchers across a multitude of disciplines. With the theme "Sharing Solutions in Occupational Health: Locally, Regionally, Globally", ICOH 2021 will bring to Melbourne the world’s leaders in occupational health and safety to share their knowledge, discuss best practice and share solutions for better worker health worldwide.

Planning is well underway with ANZSOM and ICOH collaborating with other occupational health organisations and experts to ensure the Congress showcases the most effective solutions being undertaken in occupational health locally, regionally and globally.

We are proud to announce the opening Keynote address will be given by Professor Sir Michael Marmot who has been a leader in the social determinants of health and workplace health inequalities. Sir Michael was originally from Australia, but has spent most of his career in the UK. We also have an outstanding faculty of international Plenary speakers who will be sharing their extensive knowledge and experience with delegates throughout the Congress. The Plenary topics include emerging workplace threats, mental health and return to work, lessons from the past about occupational illness today, the 24 hour work cycle, basic occupational health services in low and middle income countries and work in a changing climate.

Other highlights of the program include the Global Policy Forum, which will focus on the important issue of mental health in the workplace, special sessions being organised by ICOH Scientific Committees and Working Groups and other bodies affiliated with ICOH or ANZSOM, semi-plenary presentations, worksite visits, Poster Pitch sessions and regional Round Tables to discuss occupational health issues of relevance to different regions of the world. There will also be an active program focused on early and midcareer delegates, including a student prize, capacity building and networking sessions and social program.

You are invited to play an active role in the program discussion by submitting an abstract for an oral or poster presentation. Accepted abstracts will be published in an online supplement of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. Don’t miss this opportunity to contribute to the global dialogue that will bring about solutions in occupational health. The opportunity to apply for a grant to support attendance and present a paper will be available for early and mid career delegates from low and middle income countries.

In addition to the dynamic program, the social program will enable you to network and make connections with fellow professionals whilst you enjoy the vibrancy of Melbourne. We also hope you’ll stay a few days longer to discover more of our great city and visit the diverse cities and regions that Australia offers you.

Registration is now open offering some valuable early bird savings. You will find further information at the Congress website www.icoh2021.org

We encourage you to put 21-26 March 2021 into your diary and look forward to welcoming you to Melbourne for ICOH 2021.
The International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH) is an international non-governmental professional society whose aims are to foster the scientific progress, knowledge and development of occupational health and safety in all its aspects. ICOH is the world’s leading international scientific society in the field of occupational health with a membership of 2,000 professionals from 93 countries. The ICOH is recognised by the United Nations as a non-governmental organisation (NGO) and has close working relationships with ILO, WHO, UNEP and ISSA. For further information visit www.icohweb.org.

The Australian and New Zealand Society of Occupational Medicine (ANZSOM) is very proud to partner with ICOH to host the ICOH 2021 Congress in Melbourne. ANZSOM is the professional society for those who practice or have an interest in the fields of occupational medicine, occupational nursing and workplace health more generally. For further information visit www.anzsom.org.au.

**CONGRESS HOSTS**

ANZSOM

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- **REGISTRATION OPEN - EARLY BIRD OFFER**
  - NOW OPEN

- **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS OPEN**
  - NOW OPEN

- **ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS CLOSE**
  - 30 JUNE 2020

- **ACCEPTED PRESENTER DEADLINE TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE**
  - 31 OCTOBER 2020

- **MID REGISTRATION FEES ON OFFER**
  - 1 NOVEMBER 2020

- **STANDARD REGISTRATION FEES ON OFFER**
  - 1 FEBRUARY 2021

- **NOTIFICATION OF ABSTRACT ACCEPTANCE**
  - 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

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The Congress will focus on the theme: **Sharing Solutions in Occupational Health: Locally, Regionally, Globally** throughout the 6 day program.

The combination of plenary, semi-plenary, special and oral sessions, policy forum and poster presentations will examine a wide range of the latest solutions in occupational health and safety issues. Pre-Congress workshops will be on offer and optional site visits will be held during the Congress to enable participants to see first hand best practice at work. Participants will share and discuss the challenges and opportunities in the field now and into the future.

The 37 ICOH Scientific Committees, covering the full range of OHS fields, are contributing an exciting range of topics and speakers to lead the scientific program.

The extensive and interactive program will enable local, regional and global initiatives and research to be shared with the delegates from all around the world to build networks and legacies that will extend beyond the 2021 Congress.

An outstanding faculty of Plenary speakers from across the globe will lead these discussions and participants are invited to play an active role in the scientific program by submitting an abstract for consideration to present in the valued oral and poster sessions.

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KEYNOTE & PLENARY SPEAKERS

We are excited to announce the world leaders who are joining us to lead the program and discussions.

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

We are delighted to welcome Professor Sir Michael Marmot to present his Keynote presentation as part of the Opening Session on Sunday 21 March 2021.

![Professor Sir Michael Marmot](image)

*University College London UK*

Health inequalities in the workplace

**PLENARY SPEAKERS**

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION VISIT [WWW.ICOH2021.ORG](http://WWW.ICOH2021.ORG)
Depression and anxiety disorders cost the global economy US$1 trillion per year (WHO, 2019). In Europe the cost estimate of mental diseases was €240 billion a year in 2014, and 57% of these diseases are linked to a loss of productivity including sick leave (EU-OSHA, 2014). Apart from the economic costs, there is an important social and welfare burden resulting from mental health issues in the workplace.

Mental health and psychosocial risks in the workplace have been recognised as major priorities in occupational health and safety for at least two decades. Policies have been developed over the years that promote awareness and action among policy makers, social partners, organisations, practitioners and workers, but more needs to be done.

ICOH is very aware of the burden of mental health at work and at the 2021 Congress, the Policy Forum will be dedicated to this topic to provide a review and gap analysis of policies in this area and offer recommendations for the future. The Policy Forum will involve contributions from the WHO and ILO leadership, as well as international experts. It will also involve significant audience participation.

The Policy Forum will be a highlight of the Congress and every delegate is encouraged to attend, for what promises to be a very important event.

You are invited to play an active role in the scientific program by submitting an abstract for consideration as an oral or poster presentation. Those abstracts accepted for a Poster session may also be offered the opportunity to do a ‘Rapid Poster Presentation’, where the author can do a one minute/one slide overview presentation of their poster at a relevant session. Accepted abstracts for oral and poster sessions will be published in an on-line supplement of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, the major international journal in its field and part of the BMJ Group. This means that authors will be able to add a citation for their abstract to their CV.

Submissions are sought on topics aligned with the ICOH Scientific Committee themes of:

- Accident Prevention
- Aging and Work
- Allergy and Immunotoxicology
- Cardiology in Occupational Health
- Education and Training in Occupational Health
- Effectiveness in Occupational Health Services
- Emergency Preparedness and Response in Occupational Health
- Epidemiology in Occupational Health
- History of Prevention of Occupational and Environmental Diseases
- Indoor Air Quality and Health
- Industrial Hygiene
- Mining Occupational Safety and Health
- Musculoskeletal Disorders
- Nanomaterial Workers’ Health
- Neurotoxicology and Psychophysiology
- Occupational and Environmental Dermatoses
- Occupational Health Nursing
- Occupational Medicine
- Occupational Toxicology
- Occupational Health and Development
- Occupational Health for Health Workers
- Occupational Health in the Chemical Industry (MEDICHEM)
- Occupational Health in the Construction Industry
- Radiation and Work
- Reproductive Hazards in the Workplace
- Respiratory Disorders
- Rural Health: Agriculture, Pesticides and Organic Dusts
- Shiftwork and Working Time
- Small-Scale Enterprises and the Informal Sector
- Thermal Factors
- Toxicology of Metals
- Unemployment, Job Insecurity and Health
- Vibration and Noise
- Women Health and Work
- Work and Vision
- Work Disability Prevention and Integration
- Work Organisation and Psychosocial Factors

Online abstract submissions are now open. Information on how to make your submission is detailed on the website along with a complete list of themes and subthemes. Submissions close on June 30 2020.
ILO MASTER FELLOWSHIP

At ICOH 2021 a partial fellowship to attend the ILO Master in OSH will be assigned to two ICOH candidates from developing countries who will present a scientific contribution at ICOH 2021. The partial fellowship will cover the residential and catering package on the campus of the International Training Centre of the ILO in Turin (ITC-ILO), Italy. Applicants must be ICOH members in good standing when submitting their application. The call for applications will be published on the ICOH website (www.icohweb.org).

STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION

As in previous ICOH Congresses, ICOH 2021 will host a Student Poster Competition. To be eligible, students must register and submit an abstract of their work within the advertised time frames. Following acceptance, they should prepare a scientific poster to be displayed at a special Congress session. The posters will be judged on scientific quality, poster presentation quality and clarity, and the student's ability to answer questions from a panel of international judges. There will be a cash prize for the Best Student Poster, and the winner will be recognised at the Congress closing session.

GRANT APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRY DELEGATES

ICOH has a strong and long standing commitment to providing support to enable participation from delegates from developing countries and this will apply once again for ICOH 2021.

Participants from developing countries accepted to present a paper at ICOH 2021 will be able to apply for a grant to support their attendance. Applicants must be ICOH members in good standing when submitting their application. Visit the website for further information on the application process.

STUDENTS & EARLY CAREER DELEGATES

A variety of activities will be organised for PhD students and early career researchers and practitioners throughout the Congress. The aim is to promote research, career development and networking amongst students and those early in their careers in occupational health.

These activities include career development and mentoring workshops, breakfast sessions, and social and networking meetings. These events are open to students, post-doctoral trainees, and new researchers and practitioners with fewer than 5 years experience in the field of occupational health or related disciplines. The detailed program is currently being developed and will be announced and released on the Congress website.

VISIT WWW.ICOH2021.ORG FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
Integral to the Congress will be the ICOH 2021 Exhibition, the market place where valuable networking and education will be shared. The Exhibition market place will be a hub of activity as participants meet face to face with providers of the latest products and services whilst enjoying catering in this area, attending sessions in the Exhibition Theatrette and viewing poster presentations.

If your organisation is interested in participating in the Exhibition or increasing its profile by participating as a sponsor, please contact our Congress Managers or visit the website for information.
Registraion for ICOH 2021 is now open. To secure your place, please visit the website for more information on registration fees, accommodation, travel and tour options available before completing the online registration form. Substantial discounts are being offered to ICOH members, students and to those delegates from developing countries. Savings are available with the early bird offers, so we encourage you to book now!

Notification of abstract acceptance will be issued one month prior to early bird registration closing to enable authors to take advantage of these savings.

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FEES – FEBRUARY 2020 – 31 OCTOBER 2020**

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All fees are in Australian dollars and are inclusive of the 10% Australian goods and services tax (GST). Visit www1.oanda.com for indicative currency conversions.

**Registration Fee Inclusions:**

» Entry to the Congress Opening Ceremony & Keynote Presentation on Sunday 21 March 2021
» Entry to the Congress Welcome Reception on Sunday 21 March 2021
» Entry to Congress Plenary and Concurrent Sessions Monday 22 March – Friday 26 March 2021
» Morning and Afternoon Teas served in the Exhibition Monday 22 March – Thursday 25 March 2021
» Morning Tea on Friday 26 March 2021
» Entry to the Congress Exhibition Sunday 21 March – Thursday 25 March 2021

» Opportunity to purchase daily lunch vouchers for lunch service within the Exhibition
» Congress Name Badge
» Access to Congress App
» Access to the OEM Online Congress Edition

**Accompanying Person Registration Inclusions:**

» Access to the Congress Exhibition open from Sunday-Thursday
» Participation in the Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception on Sunday 21 March 2021
» Name Badge

**ICOH Membership** – Consider becoming an ICOH member to take advantage of the discounted fees – visit the ICOH website for information on the member benefits and fees. www.icohweb.org

**Developing Country** – Visit the ICOH 2021 website to determine if you qualify for the discounted developing country registration fee.

**Student Registration** – to qualify for the student rate, you must be a full time student undertaking a program or course of study at a recognised institution. Proof of your full time student status will be requested on registration.
SOCIAL PROGRAM

An exciting social program has been developed to complement the scientific program on offer at ICOH 2021. The events are a great opportunity to meet with old and new friends and colleagues alike in a relaxed environment.

OPENING CEREMONY & WELCOME RECEPTION
Date: Sunday 21 March 2021
Venue: Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre
Time: 1730hrs Opening Ceremony & Keynote presentation
1900hrs Welcome Reception
Price: Included for registered participants. Additional tickets are available for guests for AUD$95

The Congress will be officially opened on Sunday afternoon with the Opening Ceremony and Keynote Presentation. The Welcome Reception will then follow offering beverages and canapés and entertainment enabling participants to make valuable connections with colleagues.

CONGRESS GLOBAL DINNER
Date: Wednesday 24 March 2021 1900hrs-2300hrs
Venue: Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre
Time: 1900hrs
Price: AUD$175

The Congress Global Dinner promises to be a night to remember. Enjoy a very special dinner featuring food and beverages sourced locally from Victoria and entertainment whilst enjoying the company of colleagues from across the globe. Delegates are encouraged to wear traditional dress from their country.

Visit the website for information on the range of social events on offer for your enjoyment.

ACCOMMODATION

There is a range of accommodation options within easy walking distance of the Congress venue, the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. Discounted Congress rate options are available for you when booking through the Congress Office. Visit the website to view the options before making your selection when registering.
MELBOURNE CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

Superbly located right in the heart of Melbourne on the edge of the Yarra River adjacent to the city centre is the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre.

Setting new world benchmarks as the first convention centre to be awarded a 6 Green Star environmental rating by the Green Building Council of Australia, the centre is also raising standards to new heights in innovation, technology, imaginative catering and service options.

The Convention Centre is easily accessible from every direction by foot, car or public transport and is surrounded by cafes, bars, shopping and fine restaurants.

DISCOVER MELBOURNE

Melbourne is a creative, exciting city with always something new to discover. The city has a cultural depth and multicultural diversity people expect from a major global city but with a relaxed attitude that makes it easy for visitors from anywhere around the world to feel at home.

The city is exciting, constantly changing and evolving and has something for everyone. From chic fashion stores to buzzing cafes and trendy bars, botanic gardens to sports stadiums, elegant Victorian-era streetscapes to modern innovative architecture, film and food festivals to galleries and opulent theatres, Melbourne has an activity and attraction that will interest you.

For those who want to explore further afield, the unique natural beauty of regional Victoria is just a short trip away.

A range of Congress tours are on offer to enable you, your partner and families to explore our city and for partners and family travelling. Visit the website for further information.

DISCOVER AUSTRALIA

Whether you want to discover the many dimensions of an urban hub or the stunning natural beauty of spectacular landscapes and unique native wildlife, Australia offers endless variety and experiences you can’t have anywhere else on earth.

Why not take a little time to explore the land of contrasts Australia truly is – from the lush tropical rainforests and breathtaking beaches of Queensland, the buzz, excitement and splendour of Sydney’s Harbour to the spectacular wine regions of South Australia – the options are endless. Visit the website to help you plan your Australian adventure.
NATIONAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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Mr Franklin Muchiri (ILO, Labour Administration, Labour Inspection and Occupational Safety and Health Branch)
Mr Marcelo Abi-Ramia Caetano (ISSA Secretary-General)
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