

Postponement of ECWM10

Dear delegate

As you are aware, the COVID situation is still a major concern, and given the recent increases in cases within France, across Europe and globally, the Organising Committee feel that in the best interests of the conference and the safety of its delegates, the Tenth European Conference on Wood Modification, planned to be held in Nancy, France on November 9-10, 2020, has had to be further postponed.

The Organising Committee considered holding a webinar version of the conference, but it was felt that providing the opportunity for delegates to meet “face to face” was one of the key assets of these conferences. Therefore, a new date has already been selected, which is February 24-25, 2022, which will hopefully provide sufficient time for the COVID pandemic to ease off and for a vaccine to be effectively administered.

All papers and posters that were accepted for this year will automatically have the same offer afforded to them for next year’s conference. Of course, if a poster presentation has progressed further, then delegates are welcome to resubmit for consideration as a full paper. We are also aware that some delegates, especially the research students, may wish to withdraw their paper for publication in a peer reviewed journal.

A new call for papers, to supplement those that have already been selected and still wish to be included in next year’s conference, will be launched, with a submission deadline for abstracts of June 30, 2021. Prior to the selection of all presentation for the revised conference, all currently accepted oral and poster presentations will be contacted to see if they wish to maintain their current position in the selected presentations.

To help the Local Organising Committee, you can inform us at any time of your decision to keep your presentation within the programme, or inform of its withdrawal at any time by contacting ecwm10@sciencesconf.org.

We still hope that you can join us meet in Nancy in 2022 for ECWM10. In the meantime, stay safe.

On behalf of Local Organizing and Scientific Committees,

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