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Call for Interactive Learning Session (ILS) Concept Notes

The TEPHINET Advisory Scientific Committee (TASC) is accepting concept notes for Interactive Learning Sessions (ILS) to be presented at the [12th TEPHINET Regional Scientific Conference of the Americas](#). This year's conference theme is: *Preparing for the Next Pandemic: Multidisciplinary Connections in Field Epidemiology*. The conference's official language is Spanish.

What is an Interactive Learning Session (ILS)?

An interactive learning session (ILS) is similar to a workshop. The session is facilitated, has clear learning objectives, and is focused on providing opportunities for learners to engage with the material.

What kinds of ILSs is the TASC looking for?

While all ILS submissions will be considered, particular interest will be shown in the following topics:

- Field Epidemiology
- Risk communication and community engagement
- Evaluation and implementation science,
- Health equity
- Resilience in the epidemiology workforce
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Planetary health, climate change, and One Health
- (Human and animal) mass gathering events during pandemics
- Joint external evaluations of international health regulations
- Social science applied to field investigations;
- Scientific writing and communication
- Case study development
- Resource mobilization (within country and other funders) by FETPs
- Including field epidemiologists in national workforce strategy planning

- Building regional FETP-to-FETP collaboration networks based on language and region
- Grant proposal writing
- Using Technology in Field Epidemiology
- Surveillance

ILSs should be clearly relevant to the conference theme and to our conference participants from the Americas region. All content should be tailored to an international audience.

What format will these ILSs take?

ILS will be offered in person on the first day of the conference, Monday, September 25, 2023 between 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM Brasilia, Federal District, Brazil (GMT-3). ILSs may be one uninterrupted session of 4 hours **or** an 8-hour session with a morning and afternoon break, as well as a 1-hour lunch break in the middle. Proposed ILS must meet the specified quality standards described here and in the concept note submission form.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MsKt6xBc0xRrmKQrELI95LL6-VOT9c8g/view>

How can ILS facilitators apply?

Please submit a concept note (in English) at the following link before the deadline:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/84d75b139348476eb179f0ee99428f9d>.

If you require assistance completing the concept note, please contact Valerie Young at vyoung@tephinet.org.

Important Dates

- Concept note submission deadline: **June 25, 2023**
- Decision notification date: **July 12, 2023**

Review Process

The TASC will review and score the ILS proposals and provide them to the Planning Committee. The Planning Committee will select the final ILSs for presentation at the conference. The Planning Committee will weigh several factors, including overall quality, relevance, conference suitability, and capacity.

Hosting Costs

Hosting Costs include meeting room, audio/visual, microphones, morning/afternoon breaks, and lunch for attendees.

- Half day: \$3000 USD (includes the cost of registration for 1 facilitator)
- Full day: \$6000 USD (includes the cost of registration for 2 facilitators)

Certificates of Participation

ILS facilitators are responsible for providing workshop attendees with certificates of participation. TEPHINET cannot provide certificates for ILS.

ILS Evaluation Survey

TEPHINET will distribute ILS evaluation surveys digitally to attendees with general questions pertaining to the session. TEPHINET will share these questions with ILS facilitators beforehand.

Language

The conference's official language is Spanish. Conference participants are mostly from the Americas Region and the major languages represented are Spanish, Portuguese, English, and French. TEPHINET does not provide translation/interpretation services for the Interactive Learning Sessions. ILS facilitators should provide their own translation/interpretation services if needed. TEPHINET will consider proposals for ILS's facilitated in Spanish, Portuguese, English, and French.

Registrant Reports

TEPHINET will provide facilitators with access to registrant reports prior to the ILS start date. Reports will include registrants' names, email addresses, organizations, and countries.

Questions?

For questions about event logistics, or completing a concept note, please contact Valerie Young, TEPHINET Project Coordinator, Conferences, at vyoung@tephinet.org.