

ISDE DB meeting

online, Wednesday Feb 26, 2025; 10:15am – 11:15am (Eastern Time - New York)

Present: Lilian Corra, Erica Frank, Peter van den Hazel, Hanns Moshhammer, Roberto Romizi

Note Taker: Erica Frank

Roberto Romizi starts with an explanation of the upcoming conference in Italy. The conference will be organised together with national Italian partners. He does soon need information on who (how many) will visit the conference to help him prepare the hotel rooms etc. (no exact date provided). He asks DB member to step up and (a) volunteer to chair sessions, and (b) to also serve in the scientific committee (SC) for the conference. But it is not clear what would be the task of SC members. Peter specifically asks: Do you plan also for free presentations, so that SC members are needed to review submissions, or do you only plan for invited speakers and SC members should help with recruiting speakers? In the latter case, SC members would need guidance as to what they can offer to speakers (travel costs etc.). A clean draft of the program would also be helpful. No clear answer was provided, but going through the program it became clear that there is not much room for additional free presentations. Roberto mentioned the possibility of posters though.

Scientific committee members to add: Peter for delivering names or addresses, Erica Frank for remote participation support including moderating separate Q&A sessions, and to speak on free education in environmental health at NextGenU.org and the use of AI in environmental education. Hanns has already invited a young colleague from Austria to speak about health aspects of biodiversity. He has offered to ask Stephan Böse to present about heavy metals. Peter will organise the session on IT and other technical innovations (see updated program draft). Roberto to produce a clean program draft to be used for inviting speakers.

Lilian agrees with topics and suggested speakers. But we should tell the speakers that they should make an interesting presentation.

Suggestion made to invite people from the Medical Consortium on Climate and Health (Erica connected to them if of interest)

Comment further on the draft program before 14 March

Treasurer's report: So far, membership fees have been paid by Italy, Netherlands, Uzbekistan, Austria. Thank you to these members!

Website: Erica is helping with the maintenance of the website.

Lilian to share an open letter on microplastics in pharmaceuticals for ISDE to consider as a collective letter.