

MVVR5 2017 Conference – Information for Presenters & Participants

Welcome to the 5th Medical and Veterinary Virus Research (MVVR5) Symposium. We hope you enjoy the science and establish meaningful collaborations!

Useful information for your help;

Meeting Venue & Access

The MVVR5 will be held on Thursday and Friday, 7th – 8th 2017 at the Boma Hotel in Nairobi, Kenya. The venue is located a few minutes from the Jomo Kenyatta International Airport and about 16 minutes' drive from Nairobi, Central Business District.

Transport

The hotel coordinates airport transfers at around \$20 per person or \$15 sharing. Alternatively, you can make your own pick up arrangements through a preferred taxi service. Please contact Nancy Wachuka, (wachuka.nancy@theboma.co.ke)

Accommodation

Only sponsored participants are booked at the BOMA INN, a sister hotel adjacent to the main Boma Hotel. Feel free to make alternative accommodation arrangements as suits you.

Internet Access

Internet access is available – password will be availed to all participants.

Conference Participation

Conference participation is through registration and submission of an accepted abstract. It is a condition of acceptance that one or the other is met.

Reception & Registration

Participants shall register and collect their name badges as they enter the conference hall. Meeting organizers will be on hand to provide support throughout the conference.

Meeting & Session Structure

The two-day meeting is organized into 7 moderated sessions culminating into a panel discussion on One Health – funding, gaps, opportunities for future research, etc. Each session takes up to 10 minutes with, 8 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes, question and answer.

Keynote Presentations

The Programme also features two interesting keynote presentations. Each presentation will take up to 15 minutes with 10 minutes presentation and 5 minutes discussion time.

Visual Presentation of Posters

The meeting has attracted high caliber abstracts to be presented as posters. Viewing of posters will take place during coffee breaks, lunch break and during specifically designated sessions. Posters will remain displayed throughout the day. Participants are encouraged to remain in-situ for their respective presentations.

Loading Presentations

Participants are strongly encouraged to load their presentations well in advance as time is of the essence. Presenters are advised to bring their presentations on flash drive. For Mac users,

please remember to save your presentations in appropriate formats, compatible with windows platform.

Time-Keeping during Presentations

The program promises very interesting presentations. Notwithstanding, we appeal to all participants to avoid overrunning. We'll take an umpire approach to time keeping!

Symposium Dinner – Thursday, 7th Dec

On the social side of things, the organizing committee have lined up a sumptuous dinner to be held at the Johari restaurant, The Boma Hotel. Come prepared!

Prizes & Awards

The scientific steering committee has selected six panelists to assess oral and poster presentation based on content and quality of presentation. Best three oral and poster presentations will win a shopping voucher.travel bursary for MVVR6. The award is not cash transferable.

Media Liaison

All media and publicity engagements will be coordinated through the organizing committee by our media contact person, Charles Kevin Kamau, KWTRP and Justin, CDC-Kenya. Please liaise with them for assistance. interviews etc. Contact, ckamau@kemri-wellcome.org or

Symposium Evaluation

The organizing committee has provided session and meeting evaluation forms. Please complete all sections and return to the registration booth. Suggestions for future conference sub themes are especially encouraged.

Please feel free to tweet widely using the hashtag **#MVVR2017**

Thank you and Welcome!