

Abstract Submission Guidelines

The Seventh Dubai International Food Safety Conference and IAFF's First Middle East Symposium on Food Safety will be held in Dubai from the 21st to the 23rd of February, 2012 with a goal to enhance food safety standards in the Middle East and to harmonize global food safety standards. The event will be held at the Dubai Convention and Exhibition Centre alongside Gulfood Exhibition, the region's biggest food event.

Researchers, research groups, students and food safety experts are invited and encouraged to present their work in the poster sessions at the Dubai International Food Safety Conference. Proposals for poster sessions can be submitted through www.foodsafetydubai.com

Abstract Submission Deadline for oral presentation: **1st November 2011**

Abstract submission deadline for posters: **1st January 2012**

Acceptance/Rejection Notification: **15th January 2012**

Poster Sessions: **21 & 22 of February, 2012**

General Information

1. Topics must be relevant to food safety
2. Complete the Abstract Submission Form Online at www.foodsafetydubai.com
3. Individuals are allowed to submit multiple abstracts. However, one of the authors must deliver the presentation.
4. Accepted abstracts will be published in the program materials. Editorial changes may be made to accepted abstracts at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.
5. All presenters will get complimentary registration for the conference.

Instructions for Preparing Abstracts

1. All abstracts must be written in English.
2. All abstracts must be approved by all authors before submission.
3. Authors — List all authors using the following style: first name or initials followed by the surname.
4. Presenter Name & Title — List the full name and title of the person who will present the paper.
5. Presenter Address — List the name of the department, institution and full postal address (including zip/postal code and country).
6. Phone Number — List the phone number, including area, country, and city codes of the presenter.
7. E-mail — List the E-mail address for the presenter.
8. Title of Paper — The title should be short but descriptive. The title should be in title case.
9. Abstract — Key the abstract into the web-based system. In addition, a double-spaced copy of the abstract, typed in 12-point font in MS Word, should be E-mailed to kazeid@dm.gov.ae at the time of submission. Use no more than 300 words.

Original research abstracts for oral presentation MUST be in the following format:

Introduction: State the reason for pursuing this work (2–3 sentences)

Purpose: State the purpose or objectives of the study (1–2 sentences)

Methods: State the methodology used in the study (2–3 sentences). The methods should be specific enough that researchers in the same or similar field would understand the basic experimental design or approach.

Results: Describe the results obtained in the study (2–3 sentences).

NOTE: Specific results, with statistical analysis (if appropriate), MUST be provided. A statement of “results pending” or “to be discussed” is not acceptable and will be grounds for abstract rejection. Results should be summarized; do NOT use tables or figures.

Significance: State the significance of the findings to food safety and/or public health (1–2 sentences) NOTE: Do not include reference citations in the Abstract. Please see sample abstracts for further guidance on abstract structure.

Education abstracts MUST present an improvement or innovation on a proven method in order to educate others (about a food safety related topic). There should be a way to measure the outcomes and substantiate the improvements and/or outcomes. If measured, the sample size should be sufficiently large to represent the intended population.

Poster Presentation Format

- Posters should not exceed the size of one square meter
- Freestanding boards will be provided for presenting posters.
- Handouts may be used, but audiovisual equipment will not be available. All posters should include the title and author information.

Contact Information

Questions regarding abstract submission can be directed to

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