



2020 International Biometric Conference Call for Invited Session Proposals

Please submit by February 11, 2019

The International Program Committee (IPC) of the International Biometric Society's (IBS) *30th International Biometric Conference (IBC2020)* calls for invited session proposals. *IBC2020* will be held 5-10 July 2020 at the COEX (Convention & Exhibition Center), Seoul, Korea.

An *IBC* invited session brings together a small number of speakers (two–four) on a particular statistical topic. A discussant may also form part of a session. A discussant should describe the latest research in the session topic and make it accessible to a 'non-expert' audience, as well as provide commentary on the various talks in the session.

We encourage the submission of proposals covering a wide range of topics in the theory and application of statistics to biological and life sciences. We are eager to ensure that the *IBC* Program is diverse in every way, so will look more favorably on sessions that include both female and male speakers and that involve speakers from diverse geographical regions. We particularly encourage proposals organized around applications in areas such as agriculture, ecology, environment and forestry.

Invited session proposals should be sent by email to the *IBC2020* IPC Chair, Renato Assunção:

Conference@biometricsociety.org. **Proposals should be submitted on or before February 11th, 2019.** We also welcome informal inquiries in advance of the submission deadline. Please feel free to email Renato directly at assuncao@dcc.ufmg.br.

All *IBC2020* invited session proposals should include:

- Your name, affiliation, contact address and email address
- Suggested session title and keywords
- Motivation for the proposed session
- Organizer, proposed speakers and discussant, including their affiliation and email address
- Tentative titles for all talks of invited speakers

Use of a specific template for all proposals is compulsory. The template, along with additional information on the *IBC2020*, is located [here](#).

Please note that a session organizer cannot be an invited speaker of the same session.

Proposals will be evaluated by the IPC, and the authors will be informed by mid to late March 2019 of acceptance, rejection or need for revision (of topic and speakers). We will make final decisions about the *IBC2020* Program in April 2019. **Please note that there are a limited number of invited session slots, and that, unfortunately, the *IBC* is unable to provide funding to cover travel expenses or registration fees for speakers participating in invited sessions.** Thank you for your support of the *IBC*! We look forward to seeing you in Seoul.