Abstract Submission

In relation to the third CEE Conference on Hospital Hygiene and Patient Safety we invite you to submit abstracts on subjects listed in the topics section below. Depending on the outcome of the evaluation process you will be given the opportunity to present your abstract at the Conference in person or to present it at one of the e-Poster terminals.

1. Abstract Submission Requirements

Abstracts must be submitted in English. All presentations will be held in English as well.

Submission deadline: 16 January 2019

The abstracts will be evaluated by an international jury consisting of experts from the CEE area.

2. Abstracts must be submitted in one of the categories listed below:

- Hand hygiene
- Room and surface disinfection
- Air and ventilation systems
- Prevention, trends in epidemiology (MRSA, C-Diff, MTB, others)
- Nosocomial surveillance programs
- Detection of nosocomial pathogens
- Economic impact of HAI
- Surgical site infections
- Catheter induced blood stream infections

The abstract must not exceed one page. Additionally, the abstract should contain sufficient information for the judging committee to make a proper decision in connection to the added value of the paper as well as its relevance to the aims of the Conference.

Please ensure that all co-authors have given their consent to the submission of the abstract.
3. Requirements for Abstract Submission

**General:** Abstracts should be submitted online only. Abstracts submitted beyond the deadline will not be considered. In order to ensure consistency of the abstract layout we ask you to read the preparation guidelines CAREFULLY! Avoid submission 48 hours before expiration of the deadline to ensure a smooth registration process.

**Title:** Do not UPPERCASE title and author names. Spell out author names and initials (e.g. Jane Francis Doe). Please do not use abbreviations in the abstract title.

**Text:** The abstract text (original scientific and/or technical work that has not been published in a peer-reviewed journal) should be limited to 2,000 characters, including spaces. Please use a common font, e.g. Times New Roman, with font size 12. Tables, figures and references are not allowed. Present the text in a single paragraph (do not use line breaks, except for at the end of section). Do not use headings, do not introduce lines between sections and do not insert special categories (i.e. "motivation", "methods").

**Symbols and Greek Letters:** To avoid formatting issues, only plain text is allowed. Do not use any symbols, Greek letters or formatting such as superscript, subscript, bold, italics, etc.

**Corresponding Author:** Each abstract must be submitted by the individual indicated as corresponding author. This author will receive an email of confirmation and will be notified about the outcome of the abstract review. The full contact information of the corresponding author is required. With the submission you should also indicate the presenting author.

Please also note that if you submit several abstracts, it is important that you use author and institute data in the same format, if using different name formats like Jane Doe, Jane W. Doe or JW Doe all three will appear individually in the index of authors.

**Confirmation:** If you submit your abstract before the date deadline (16 January 2019) we will send you an acknowledgement of receipt. In case we do not get back to you within 48 hours, please contact max.dietrich@cip.at.