

AN UPDATE

IIBCC moves to 2021

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the IIBCC is postponed until next year. Read on for details regarding the new dates, your attendance in 2021 and our virtual meet-up.

WELCOME

Our new dates

Dear friends of the IIBCC,

You might recall from our last newsletter that we are closely monitoring the development of the current Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and its implications for our upcoming conference.

After careful consideration and ongoing conversations with participants, the IIBCC Conference Committee has decided to **move the IIBCC conference to 2021**. We made the necessary arrangements with our local partners in Sri Lanka and herewith confirm the new conference dates:

16–19 Nov 2021

Colombo, Sri Lanka



Dr Gabriel Büchel

Secretary

IIBCC Conference Committee

The Committee's decision to postpone the conference was determined by three key factors:

- Restricted ability to travel internationally as many people face travel bans prescribed by company policies and/or government agencies;
- Uncertainty as to when international air traffic will resume and its impact on flight schedules and travel plans
- General considerations for health and well-being with regard to travelling and attending large gatherings.

Please be advised that **all registrations of attendance that we received to date will roll over to the 2021 conference.** All dates for registrations and submission of papers have moved accordingly and are available on our website, please also see further below in this newsletter for details.

To make the wait until next year's gathering a little easier, we invite you to **join our virtual IIBCC 2020 meet-up**. Browse pictures from people around the world and do send us yours! You will find the link below.

Thank you for your patience and continued support in these unprecedented times; we look forward to being in touch soon. Please stay safe and we wish you, your teams and loved ones best of health.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Gabriel Büchel