

Measuring Behavior 2020: Call for hosting



The organizing committee of Measuring Behavior is inviting bids for hosting the 12th in the very successful series of Measuring Behavior International Conferences on Methods and Techniques in Behavioral Research. The conference is planned for 3 days in May or June 2020. We anticipate it will have roughly the same format as previous years (see <http://www.measuringbehavior.org/>), but we are also open to new ideas. We encourage bids from all over Europe.

If you would be interested in hosting the conference, please answer the following questions:

Conference chair(s)

We anticipate that at least one conference chair will be the local host although it is possible that the conference organization will recruit more chairs to cover all relevant disciplines. Please give a brief (about 100 words per person) description of who you are, what your research interest is and what previous experience you have organizing conferences.

Supporting staff

Conference chairs are often busy people (professors). Do you have colleagues who can help with organizing the conference? Do you already know symposia chairs you can invite?

Program content

Traditionally, the Measuring Behavior conferences have hosted a large number of symposia organized by symposia chairs. The symposia are a substantial and essential part of this dynamic conference. How will you help recruit symposia chairs? Are there other research groups in your own region who are likely candidates? Do you have any ideas to renew the content of the conference? What possibilities are there for social events and scientific tours of facilities in the same city?

Meeting venue, location and conference facilities

What conference facilities do you have to offer? Normally Measuring Behavior has 4-5 parallel sessions, with rooms of capacity of 100 – 250 people, plus an area for 40 - 60 posters and an area for the exhibition (about 15 exhibitors). We normally have about 200 to 300 delegates in total but it would be nice if we could grow beyond that.

What are the costs associated with hiring those facilities? What dates are they available for in May-June 2020? What are the airport, public transport and hotel facilities near to the conference center? Is there a significant research community measuring the behavior of people and animals in your region? Why is your city attractive to delegates?

Budget

Do you have access to governmental agencies or corporations that may be interested in being connected to the conference and providing financial support? Is your institution able to sponsor the conference and/or take financial responsibility?

Other comments

Please explain in one paragraph why your location is especially suitable for MB2020.

Please send the information before 1st May 2018 to Andrew Spink, chair of the program committee (Andrew@measuringbehavior.org). We aim to announce the next venue at MB2018 in Manchester this June. Feel free to contact Andrew beforehand with any questions you may have.