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28 - 30 August, 2025

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Main Congress: 29-30 August 2025



Infection Prevention and Control:

Challenges in Healthcare Settings and Beyond



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# **Pre-Congress Workshop: Pandemic Preparedness: Are We Prepared?**

# Day 0: Thursday, 28 August 2025

### Introduction

The Pre-Congress Workshop: Pandemic Preparedness – Are We Prepared? is designed to explore key lessons from past pandemics and strategies for enhancing preparedness and response in healthcare settings. Experts from various disciplines will share insights on infection prevention, ventilation systems, contact tracing, high-level isolation units, and environmental transmission. This workshop aims to equip healthcare professionals with the knowledge and tools necessary to strengthen pandemic resilience and response strategies.

# **Target Audience**

This workshop is ideal for:

- Healthcare professionals, including doctors nurses, and infection control specialists
- · Public health officials and policymakers

- Hospital administrators and facility managers
- · Researchers and academicians in infectious disease and epidemiology
- Emergency preparedness and response teams

# **Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- · Identify key takeaways from past pandemics, particularly COVID-19, and apply lessons learned to future preparedness.
- · Understand the role of ventilation systems in infection prevention and their impact on patient and staff health.
- Implement strategies for optimizing indoor air quality in healthcare settings.
- Address challenges in managing high-level isolation units effectively.
- Strengthen contact tracing strategies for improved pandemic response.
- Gain insights into surveillance and preparedness measures
- Recognize the impact of environmental transmission on pandemic preparedness and mitigation strategies.

### **Programe**

Time	Topics	Speaker
0830 - 0900	Registration	
0900 - 0945	Lessons Learnt and Key Takeaways from the COVID-19 Pandemic	A/Prof Ling Moi Lin
0945 - 1030	Navigating Pandemics – Lessons Learned	Hon Prof Edmund Ong
1030 - 1100	Morning Tea Break	
1100 - 1145	Role of Ventilation System from Infection Prevention and Control Perspectives - Impact on Patient Outcomes and Staff Health	A/Prof Surinder Pada
1145 - 1230	Strategies for Optimizing Indoor Air Quality in Healthcare Settings	A/Prof Tham Kwok Wai
1230 - 1330	Lunch	
1330 - 1415	Challenges in Managing High Level Isolation Units	Dr Darius Beh
1415 - 1500	Strengthening Contact Tracing: Strategies for Better Pandemic Response	Ms Poh Cuiqin
1500 - 1530	Afternoon Tea break	
1530 - 1615	Surveillance and Preparedness for Pandemics: Insights from Singapore's Communicable Diseases Agency	Dr Justin Wong
1615 - 1700	Environmental Transmission and Mitigation for Pandemic Preparedness	Dr Kang Chang Wei





# **Scientific Programme**

**Day 1: Friday, 29 August 2025** 

0800 - 0845	Registration Registration				
0845 - 0900	Opening (	Ceremony			
0900 - 1000	Plenary 1  New Standards and Challenges for Infection Prevention and Control Certification  Speaker: A/Prof Ling Moi Lin   Moderator: Ms Lee Lai Chee				
1000 - 1030		orning Tea Break			
1030 - 1200	Symposium 1: Environmental Sustainability from Infection Prevention and Control Perspectives (IPC) Moderator: Mr Benjamin Tan	Symposium 2: Infection Prevention and Control Beyond hospital Moderator: Ms Bushra Binte Shaik Ismail			
1030 - 1100	Carbon Footprint and IPC  Dr Tan Seow Yen	Mobile Inpatient Care at home/Transitional Care Facility/AIC Ms Tan Kwee Yuen			
1100 - 1130	Sustainability Initiatives in Infection Control Practices Ms Tee Wee Ling	Challenges in Infection Prevention & Control in  Dental Unit  Ms Lily Lang			
1130 - 1200	Sustainable Products and Reducing Waste  Ms Lee Lai Chee	Infection Control in Community/ Rehabilitation Hospital  Ms Christine Eu			
1200 - 1300	Lunch				
1300 - 1430	Symposium 3: Occupational Health and Infection Prevention and Control Moderator: Ms Tee Wee Ling	Symposium 4: Quality Control for Endoscopy/Sterilization & Disinfection Moderator: Ms Christine Eu			
1300 - 1330	Immunization Recommendation for Healthcare Workers A/Prof Helen Oh	Emerging Pathogens and Challenges in Endoscope Sterilization Ms Liu Qinnan			
1330 - 1400	PTB Disease Exposure  Dr Chua Ying Ying	Innovations in Endoscope Technology for Improved Sterilization Ms Beatrice Lek			
1400 - 1430	HCWs with HIV and Challenges Mr Arun Kumar	Real-Life Examples of Sterilization Failures and their Implications  Ms Philomena Liew			
1430 - 1500	Afternoon Tea Break				
1500 - 1600	Free Paper Presentation				
1600 - 1700	Plenary 2:  Moving Out from Contact Precautions for MDROs  Speaker: Dr Kalisvar Marimuthu   Moderator: Ms Cathrine Teo				





# **Scientific Programme**

# Day 2: Saturday, 30 August 2025

0830 - 0900	Regist Regist	ration			
0900 - 1000	Plenary 3:  Advances in TB Control During the Past Decade  Speaker: Hon Prof Edmund Ong / Moderator: Dr Deborah Lai				
1000 - 1030	Morning Tea Break				
1030 - 1200	Symposium 5: Information Technology (IT) for Infection Prevention and Control program (IPC) Moderator: Ms Foo Meow Ling	Symposium 6: Antibiotic Stewardship  Moderator: Ms Sue Goghari			
1030 - 1100	Use of RFID Technology for IPC  Mr Tien Wee Siong	Antibiotic Stewardship and Overcoming its Challenge  Prof Wang Ying			
1100 - 1130	Success Story of IT Implementation in IPC Program: EPIC EMR System Ms Ho Yeng May	Everyone's Role in Antibiotic Stewardship: From Patien Caregiver and Healthcare Workers Dr Jasmine Chung			
1130 - 1200	Innovation for Hand Hygiene Compliance  Ms Patricia Ching	Innovative Approaches in Antibiotic Stewardship  Dr Asok Kurup			
1200 - 1300	Lunch				
1300 - 1430	Symposium 7: Infection Prevention and Control, and Product Evaluation Moderator: Ms Foo Meow Ling	Symposium 8: Waterborne and Vector Borne Disease/Infection Moderator: Ms Xu Dong Hui			
1300 -1330	European Regulatory and Standards Link to Infection Prevention and Control Mr Benoit Biousse	Pests Control in Health Care Settings (Cockroaches Bedbugs, Mosquitoes, Rats) Mr Kelson Lim			
1330 -1400	Methods for evaluating product efficacy and safety  Ms Patricia Ching	Waste Water Epidemiology in COVID 19 Pandemic: Lesson Learnt for Future Surveillance Dr Judith Wong			
1400 - 1430	Hand Hygiene Compliance from Occupational Health Perspectives, Prevention of Contact Dermatitis Dr Sylvia Teo	Waterborne Infections in Hemodialysis Patients and Infection Prevention Dr Roy Debajyoti			
1430 - 1500	Afternoon Tea Break				
1500 - 1600	Plenary 4:  Role of Artificial Intelligence in Infection Prevention and Control Program  Speaker: Prof Wang Ying   Moderator: Dr Deborah Lai				
1600 - 1620	Awards for Oral Paper Presentation  Moderators: Ms Xu Dong Hui, Ms Lu Wenxian				
1620 - 1630	Closing Ceremony				





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# **REGISTRATION FEES**

Categories	Members		Non-Members	
	Early Bird* (till 31 May 2025)	Regular Rate	Early Bird* (till 31 May 2025)	Regular Rate
Main Congress ONLY	\$\$500	\$\$600	\$\$650	\$\$750
Pre-Congress Workshop & Main Congress	\$\$700	\$\$850	\$\$950	S\$1,100

<sup>\*</sup>To enjoy member rate, member must be with the society for at least 6 months

# **REGISTRATION NOTES**

- 1. Your registration will only be confirmed upon receiving your payment. An official receipt will be sent to you within 10 working days upon receiving your payment.
- 2. Pre-registration closes on **14 August 2025**. Submissions received after this date will be considered as on-site registration.
- 3. If you would like to make group registration, kindly reach out to the Secretariat at secretariat@icas.org.sg

# **CANCELLATION POLICY**

- 1. Request for cancellation/replacement must be made in writing to the Conference Secretariat, latest by **28 June 2025**. The organizing committee regrets that requests received after this date will not be entertained.
- 2. Please take note that refunds (less 20% for administrative charges) will be issued after the event.

# **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

The 9<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Infection Control Association (Singapore) invites abstracts for poster or oral presentations. The top abstracts submitted will qualify for the Free Paper Oral Presentation while the others, upon acceptance, will put up for poster presentation.

# **CLOSING DATE**

All abstracts must be submitted by **Wednesday**, **30 April 2025**. Abstracts submitted after the deadline will not be considered.



<sup>\*</sup>Rates include all government prevailing goods and services tax



# **RULES FOR SUBMISSION**

- 1. All abstracts must be submitted using the Abstract Submission Form. All completed abstracts are to be emailed to our Secretariat (secretariat @icas.org.sg).
- 2. We regret that faxed abstracts will not be accepted.
- 3. All accepted abstracts may be included in the 9<sup>th</sup> ICICAS Programme Booklet. Therefore, submission of abstracts constitutes the authors' consent for publication of abstracts.
- 4. Please ensure that your abstract does not contain spelling, grammar or scientific mistakes as it will be reproduced as submitted.
- 5. All presenting authors MUST register for the congress.

# **ABSTRACT FORMAT**

- 1. Title: Clearly indicates the nature of the investigation
- 2. Text: Times New Roman, 10 points, Regular, single line spacing and justify text
- 3. Limit the content to NOT more than 300 words
- **4.** Do not include any images, pictures, graphs, charts and references in the abstract
- **5.** The content of the abstract is to be organised as follows:
  - Background/Aim
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusion

# **SUBMISSION AND NOTIFICATION**

- 1. All abstracts submitted will be acknowledged by email within 3 working days following receipt. Please contact the Secretariat if you do not receive the acknowledgement email.
- 2. All abstracts will be evaluated against Originality, Study Design, Study Quality, Statistical Methods, Ethical Issues, Content and Importance/Relevance.
- **3.** The judges' decisions are final.
- 4. The organising committee reserves the right to make changes to all oral and poster presentation schedules.
- **5.** Presenting authors will receive an email notification on abstract acceptance by 25 June 2025