

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) - 57th Annual SSR Conference

LOCATION/DATES

Where and when is the 57th Annual SSR Conference?

The 57th Annual SSR Conference will be held at the <u>Convention Centre Dublin</u> (CCD), located at Spencer Dock, N Wall Quay, North Dock, Dublin, D01 T3V4, Ireland.

The conference dates are **July 15 to July 19, 2024**. Pre-Conference meetings, including the **Ovarian Workshop** and the **International Domestic Animal DoHad and Epigenetics Symposium**, are scheduled for July 15th.

ABSTRACTS

How can I submit my abstract for presentation at the conference?

SSR welcomes submissions for focus session talks (15 minutes), poster presentations. A selected number of papers submitted for 15-minute focus session talks will be selected for 30-minute talks. Some papers submitted for 15-minute talks will be scheduled for posters instead. The Abstract Submission site will launch in **December 2023**, and the deadline for submissions is **February 15, 2024**.

*To allow time for people to get passports/visas, the deadline will NOT be extended. We will have late breaking abstracts if you are unable to meet the deadline *

TRAVEL AWARDS

The Travel Award application process and timeline will be announced in Q4 2023. Travel awards will be announced no later than March 31, 2024 to allow for time to make travel arrangements.

TRAVEL

Hotel Accommodations

The conference will take place in the Dublin Convention Centre located in the heart of Dublin. SSR has secured room blocks at the following hotels:

- Trinity City Hotel, located at Pearse Street, Dublin 2, D02 F902, Ireland. (Reservation Link)
- Spencer Hotel, located at Excise Walk, IFSC, North Dock, Dublin, D01 X4C9, Ireland. (Reservation Link)

Please make your reservations directly with the hotels, mentioning the SSR Conference, to obtain the special rates.

NOTE: Additional rooms may be available at a discount from nearby <u>Trinity College</u> (click link to learn more about the rooms) in the heart of Dublin. Trinity College is a 20-minute walk or a 10-minute bus ride from the Convention Centre. Trinity College makes their rooms available in January 2024; SSR will announce availability and booking details once a room block at Trinity College is secured.

What dates should I book travel dates?

If you are planning to attend the full conference, we recommend arriving on July 14th and departing on July 20th. Be mindful of flight times. Many flights to Ireland are overnight flights and arrive early in the morning. We recommend arriving the day before the conference starts so you have some time to acclimate to the time change.

Passports

If you are not an Irish citizen, please check your passport expiration date today and look up your country's agreement with Ireland – in the U.S., passport renewals have been a bit delayed, so please plan ahead and get your renewal application in early so you can travel to Dublin with us in 2024!

Note: If you are a U.S. citizen intending to go anywhere in the EU after or before the conference, your passport must have an expiration date at least 3 months after the date you intend to leave the EU. This does not apply to Ireland, where a valid passport is sufficient (just another reason to love Ireland!).

REGISTRATION

When will the conference registration open?

Conference registration will open in **late February 2024**. We will have a registration link on our conference page. If you are not an SSR member, you will be required to create a non-member account to register for the conference. We will offer early bird discounts, so register early!

If I become an SSR member, can I get the member discount rate?

Yes, if you join the SSR you will be eligible for a discounted rate depending on your membership or career status.

Do I need to be a member to register for the conference?

No, you don't need to be a member to register for the conference. However, we encourage individuals to consider SSR membership for its additional benefits. Members enjoy reduced registration fees for all conferences and webinars, among other advantages. Being a member not only offers cost savings but also provides access to a vibrant scientific community and various resources that can enrich your experience at the SSR Conference and throughout the year. To learn more about SSR membership and its perks, please visit our <u>membership page</u> on the SSR website.

Once I register can I modify or cancel my conference registration?

Yes, you can log in at any time and modify or cancel all or portions of your registration. The SSR Cancellation Policy is that all cancellations received after May 2nd will be subject to a service charge of

\$150. No refunds will be issued for cancellations received after June 15, 2024. For additional support needed with modifications or cancellations regarding conference registration, please contact our registration team at <u>meetings@ssr.org</u>.

Where can I find details and is there a deadline for registering for the pre-conference meetings?

Speakers and details are currently being finalized. Once confirmed, details will be posted on SSR Annual Conference web page. Registration timing will be the same as the Annual Conference. We recommend registering for both the SSR Annual Conference and a pre-conference meeting at the same time, but you can register for them separately.

Space will be limited for both the Ovarian Workshop and the International Domestic Animal DoHad and Epigenetics Symposium, so register early to ensure your spot.

Will there be on-site registration available?

Yes, on-site registration will be available. However, we encourage attendees to register in advance to ensure a smooth and efficient check-in process at the conference venue.

SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITION

How can I become an exhibitor or sponsor for the conference?

SSR is actively seeking exhibitors and sponsors. For inquiries about how to apply to become an exhibitor or sponsor, please email us at <u>sponsor@ssr.org</u>.

OTHER QUESTIONS?

For any further inquiries or assistance, please feel free to contact our conference organizers at <u>meetings@ssr.org</u>. We look forward to welcoming you to the 57th Annual SSR Conference in Dublin!