# ISPOR 2025 May 13-16 Montreal, QC, Canada



# ISPOR 2025 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR EXHIBITING COMPANIES

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Only a company or organization identified and approved by ISPOR via an Application for Exhibit Space, submitted online, may exhibit at the ISPOR 2025 Meeting. The Application for Exhibit Space must be complete and accompanied by deposit outlined in the Terms & Conditions according to the payment schedule. When the application is accepted by ISPOR, it shall become binding upon both ISPOR and the Exhibitor with respect to space assigned and the use thereof and all other matters included in the contract and the Rules and Regulations for the Exhibit Companies. ISPOR will confirm display space to the Exhibitor when the application is accepted and assign Exhibit space according to the timelines provided.

ISPOR reserves the right to determine the eligibility of any company or product to participate in the show at any time. ISPOR may refuse to accept an application for rental of Exhibit space from, or terminate an already executed contract with, any company determined by ISPOR to be in competition with ISPOR or whose goods and/or services are not in its sole discretion, compatible with and complimentary to the show, ISPOR 2025, membership, or the industry. In the event of such termination or refusal, ISPOR shall refund, in full, all payments, including deposits, received from the Exhibitor.

#### CANCELLATION/REDUCTION POLICY

Exhibit space and/or sponsorships may be cancelled via written notice to ISPOR.

#### **EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit space may be cancelled via written notice to ISPOR. Reducing booth space (downsizing) is subject to the same cancellation policy and refund schedule as provided below.

- On or before February 5, 2025 50% of remaining booth fee
- After February 5, 2025 No refund

Note: Exhibitors that change the size of their Exhibit space are not guaranteed the originally assigned location and are subject to relocation by ISPOR.

#### **ASSIGNMENT OF SPACE**

ISPOR assigns Exhibit booths giving priority to event sponsors, symposia hosts, multiple booths, and then in date order of booking with payment. Requests for separation are also given consideration. Exhibitor booth assignments will not be distributed, published, or issued to Exhibitors until receipt of full payment.

Occasionally, an Exhibitor's location may need to be reassigned after space has been confirmed due to unforeseen situations either before the event or onsite. Every effort is made by ISPOR to accommodate the Exhibitor. ISPOR will provide written notification of any changes.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

ISPOR is committed to the health and well-being of its conference attendees. We are closely monitoring the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance and working with the Montréal Convention Centre to develop and execute our health and safety plan. For more information, please visit the ISPOR 2025 Health & Safety webpage.

#### **EXHIBITOR CONDUCT**

Any Exhibitor who violates Exhibitor Conduct regulations may be ineligible to participate in future ISPOR conferences.

- Exhibits must be staffed during Exhibit Hall hours
- Exhibitors may install and dismantle only during official move-in and move-out times
- Exhibitors expressly agree not to begin packing or dismantling displays until the official move-out time. Exhibitors failing to comply with this rule may be penalized, including, but not limited to, prevented from Exhibiting in future shows, or moved to the back of the Exhibit Hall.
- Distribution of promotional or educational materials may be conducted and circulated only within the booth assigned to the Exhibitor.
- Aisles may not be obstructed at any time because of excessive crowding in the Exhibit booth.
- Exhibitors may not sublet, assign, or share any booths, or any part of allocated Exhibit space with another company or organization and all Exhibit benefits are non-transferable.
- No one under 18 years of age will be allowed in the Exhibit Hall at any time.

#### ACCESS TO THE EXHIBIT HALL

Access to the Exhibit Hall by registered Exhibitors will be granted for booth installation based on the schedule below. Exhibit setup hours are for Exhibitors only and restricted to "Exhibitor" and "Exhibit Hall Only" badges, no exceptions. Each representative issued an Exhibitors' badge must be employed by the Exhibitor. Only representatives who are employed by the Exhibiting company and who will be working in the booth are to be registered as Exhibitors.

# PLEASE NOTE: <u>Access will not be provided to attendees for entry before the opening or after the closing of the Exhibit Hall.</u>

# Installation/Move-in Schedule\*

Monday, May 12	10:00AM – 5:00PM
Tuesday, May 13	8:00AM – 5:00PM** show ready

#### Exhibit Hall Hours\* Room 220B-E

Wednesday, May 14	9:30AM – 7:00PM
Thursday, May 15	9:30AM – 7:00PM
Friday, May 16	8:30AM – 11:30AM

#### Dismantle/Move-out Schedule\*

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Friday, May 16	11:30AM – 7:00PM

#### \*Subject to change

ISPOR allows ample time before the event for Exhibit booth installation. All Exhibitors and their independent contractors are required to adhere to the ISPOR schedule for exhibit booth installation and dismantle and to follow all ISPOR procedures. Exhibits must always be staffed during official show hours. All Exhibitors are expected to make travel arrangements in accordance with this policy. Any Exhibitor found to leave prior to the end of the show will not be invited to participate in any future ISPOR Meetings.

# **Exhibit Hall Meeting Room Access**

Exhibit Hall Meeting Rooms will be available for use from 9:30am on Wednesday, May 14 through 11:30am on Friday, May 16, during open Exhibit Hall hours ONLY. No Exhibit Hall Meeting Room access will be provided to attendees (non-Exhibitors) for entry before the opening or after the closing of the Exhibit Hall. All Exhibit Hall meeting room attendees must have an official conference badge to access the Exhibit floor and Exhibit Hall/Exhibit Hall Meeting Rooms.

# **Failure to Occupy Space**

All booths must be set up and 'show' ready by 5:00 PM Tuesday, May 13, 2025. ISPOR Show Management will do a walk-through inspection. All booths must be finalized at that time.

# **EXHIBIT SPACE AND DÉCOR GUIDELINES**

ISPOR strictly follows the IAEE Exhibit Height and Space Guidelines regarding booth height and size. Display materials should be arranged in such a manner so as not to obstruct sight lines of neighboring Exhibitors. Future location penalties will be assessed for Exhibitors who violate the rules.

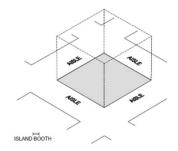
**Linear or In-line Booths:** Linear or in-line booths are 10' × 10' units arranged in a straight line. The back wall of any construction in a linear booth shall not exceed 8' in height including signage. Display materials should be arranged in such a manner so as not to obstruct sight lines of neighboring Exhibitors. The maximum height of 8ft is allowed only in the rear half of the booth space, with a 4ft height restriction imposed on all materials in the remaining space forward to the aisle. The back-wall height of an in-line booth may not exceed eight feet (8') including signs or lighting and no booth may display an item or feature that exceeds 8' in height. Signs or any exhibit material hanging above in-line booths is prohibited.

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No exhibit materials in the front five feet (5') portion of the booth may exceed the height of 4' to maintain clear visibility from one booth to the next.

**Premium Space Only Booths:** These booths are exposed to aisles on three sides and comprised of two booths. Each is 10' deep x 20' wide. All guidelines for Linear Booths apply.

**Island Booths:** Island booths are any size booth exposed to aisles on all four sides and is 20' × 20' or larger. The following applies to island booths only:



- Island booths including signage may not extend over 16 feet in height.
- Island booths must adhere to a 50% see-through effect for the first 8' in height, from front to back and side to side, so that the surrounding area can be viewed around and through the booth and that neighboring booths are not inappropriately obstructed.
- Exhibits and walling must be positioned in such a way as not to obstruct the view
  of the Exhibition or adjacent stands. Under no circumstances are neighboring
  stands to be visually blocked off from the rest of the Exhibition. Please note that
  opaque and/or frosted walls are not considered see-through.
- Demonstrations, presentations, catering, etc. may not be on or close to the aisle line of your booth and should be set back a minimum of 2 feet from the booth edge.
- Exhibitors that have activities that will draw crowds in their booths must make available (in contracted exhibit space) adequate room for lines, without obstructing any aisles.
- Booth space with furnishings, equipment, etc. must be large enough to accommodate all booth activities, including catering and any traffic generated.
- Hanging signs are not permitted.

# **Booth Appearance**

Exhibitors shall always keep their assigned space neat and clean. All exposed parts of displays and/or equipment must be finished or covered by the Exhibitor in a professional manner, so they do not present an unsightly appearance when viewed from adjoining booths or aisles. Where it is deemed necessary, ISPOR Show Management may order masking drapes at Exhibitor's expense, without prior consent or knowledge of the Exhibitor.

Nothing may be stored behind booths or back wall drapes. All Exhibits are subject to inspection by ISPOR Show Management and/or the Fire Marshal during setup and throughout the show to ensure that these areas are kept free of materials. Adherence to all fire and safety regulations is mandatory.

# Carpet

The Exhibit Hall in the Montréal Convention Centre is NOT carpeted. All booths must be carpeted at the expense of the Exhibiting company. Carpet may be supplied either by the Exhibitor or ordered through GES, the official General Service Contractor. ISPOR Show Management will instruct GES to install carpet at the Exhibitors' expense in any booth without carpet installed by Tuesday, May 13 at 3PM. The main aisles of the Exhibit Hall will be carpeted.

# **Furnishings**

Furnishings are not included in your booth space fee. Information on renting furnishings including tables, chairs, etc. will be included in the Exhibitor Service Kit.

# **Booth Rendering Submission Instructions**

All Premium Space Only and Island booths are required to submit a digital drawing or rendering including heights and dimensions to ISPOR Show Management via email to <a href="mailto:exhibit@ispor.org">exhibit@ispor.org</a> for approval by Monday, March 28, 2025. Renderings must be submitted as a PDF and include a top, front, and side view of the Exhibit. Diagrams should indicate height and width dimensions of all booth walls and major structures including applicable setback measurements.

Any changes that occur after initial submission must be resubmitted to ISPOR Show Management for approval prior to the meeting. Any Exhibitor attempting to build a Premium Space Only or Island booth without ISPOR approval will not be permitted to set up or will be forced to close their space until the design has been approved. Should booth construction at the conference deviate from the actual submitted and approved floor plans, ISPOR Show Management reserves the right to ask the Exhibitor to make modifications onsite at the Exhibitor's expense.

# **Fire Regulations**

No combustible decoration, such as crepe paper, cardboard, or corrugated paper, may be used at any time. All packing containers, excelsior, and wrapping paper, which must be flameproof, are to be removed from the floor and must not be stored under tables or behind displays. All fabrics, films, draperies, curtains and similar furnishings must be flame resistant as demonstrated by testing in accordance with NFPA 701 Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Flame Propagation of Textiles and Film. All materials and fluids which are inflammable are to be kept in safety containers. Open flames, butane gas, acetylene, oxygen tanks, or other flammable materials are not permitted. For more information, please reference the fire and safety codes provided by the Montréal Convention Centre in your Exhibitor Service Kit.

# **Storage of Crates and Boxes**

Fire regulations prohibit storing products, literature, empty packing containers, or packing material behind back drapes or under draped tables. In most cases, however, Exhibitors may store a limited supply of literature or products within the booth area, so long as these do not impede access to utility services, create a safety problem, or appear unsightly. Accessible storage for Exhibit materials will be available from GES for a fee. Detailed information regarding accessible storage will be available in the Exhibitor Service Kit.

# **Electrical Safety**

All wiring on booths or display fixtures within an Exhibitor's booth must meet underwriters' rules and pass standard fire department inspection applicable under all appropriate country, state, county, city, and the Montréal Convention Centre. This applies to construction, not pre-wired equipment.

# **Stand Accessibility**

The representatives of each Exhibiting company will be responsible for making their Exhibits accessible to persons with disabilities as required by local accessibility laws. It is understood that ISPOR will be held harmless by the Exhibiting company for the failure of its representatives to comply with the requirements of all local accessibility laws.

#### **BOOTH ACTIVITY GUIDELINES**

#### Booth Activity and Giveaway/Raffle Submission Form

Any activity within the Exhibits must conform to the educational and professional nature and character of the conference. All booth activities must be contained within the Exhibit space, not spill out into the aisle or block traffic. The noise level of any demonstration or sound system should be kept to a minimum. To request permission for a booth activity, please complete the submission form by March 28, 2025.

# **Giveaway/Raffle Guidelines**

Any activity within the Exhibits, including without limitation, distribution (for free or otherwise) of any literature, product or anyother item must conform to the educational and professional nature and character of the conference. Contests, lotteries, raffles, and games of chance may be conducted only with the prior approval of ISPOR. In conducting any pre-approved contest, lotteries, raffles, or games of chance, Exhibitor shall warrant that it has complied with all state and local laws and regulations for such activity. Exhibitor booth raffles are permitted; however, we request that the Exhibitor notify the raffle winner of their prize at their discretion and arrange for shipping to the winner if necessary. Prizes, drawings, raffles, etc. must be equally offered to all attendees, and only promoted within Exhibitor's assigned booth. The Exhibitor is responsible for security and storage of give-away items. The noise level of any demonstration or sound system should be kept to a minimum. To request permission for a giveaway or booth raffle, please submit details via the submission form by March 28, 2025.

# **Food and Beverage**

Food and Beverage must be purchased and coordinated through Maestro Culinaire the official catering service in the Montréal Convention Centre. Exhibitors may not dispense food and/or beverages of any kind, including bottled water, without written permission from Maestro Culinaire.

Alcoholic beverages are permitted to be served and consumed in the Exhibit booth providing this is in accordance with conference facility rules. Exhibitors with alcohol service must refrain from serving until **5:00PM**. If an alcohol violation does occur, venue security will confiscate all alcohol, and the Exhibitor will immediately be removed from the Exhibit floor. In addition, the Exhibitor will be banned from the Exhibit floor for one whole year.

# **Photography and Video Recording**

Any videography/photography performed professionally is strictly prohibited in the Exhibit Hall unless ISPOR grants written permission in advance. Professional photography includes the use of professional camera equipment and service providers. Please reach out to ISPOR Show Management if you have further questions regarding photography in the Exhibit Hall.

# **EXHIBITOR APPOINTED CONTRACTOR (EAC)**

An Exhibitor Appointed Contractor (EAC) is a company (other than the official service contractor, GES) that provides a service (for example, display and installation/dismantling of a booth) at Exhibitor's request and needs access to Exhibitor's booth during the installation and/or dismantling period. Official EAC Forms are available in the Exhibitor Service Kit and are due by March 28, 2025.

All Exhibitors utilizing an EAC, must notify their EAC's to not solicit business in the Exhibit Hall at any time. The Exhibiting company is responsible for the actions of its EAC, and all Exhibitor rules apply to this subcontractor of the Exhibitor. The EAC must provide worker names for each day to the convention center security checkpoint upon arrival to receive installation/dismantling wristbands to access the Exhibit Hall.

Exhibitor Appointed Contractors must send a copy of their current, valid General Liability Insurance Certificate with a combined single limit of at least \$1,000,000.00/\$2,000,000 aggregate each occurrence for bodily injury and property damage no later than March 28, 2025. The Appointed Contractor will not be permitted to service your Exhibit if failure to submit the Certificate on time. Certificates should be emailed to exhibit@ispor.org.

#### **INSURANCE**

The Exhibitor understands that neither ISPOR nor the Venue Parties maintain insurance covering the Exhibitor's property. General liability insurance from RainProtection is included with the purchase of Exhibit space. Each Exhibitor will receive compliant general liability insurance with a combined single limit of at least \$1,000,000.00/\$2,000,000 aggregate each occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Such insurance shall name the following: ISPOR, Montréal Convention Centre, Montréal, QC, and their respective members, officers, agents, and employees.

#### **SECURITY**

Exhibitors are responsible for the security of their Exhibit and its contents. Security personnel contracted directly by ISPOR are intended primarily for crowd control and credentials verification. Exhibitors are encouraged to budget and make security arrangements for sensitive or valuable items. ISPOR and the Montréal Convention Centre are not responsible for the security of Exhibitors' property. Protection, both security and insurance coverage, of Exhibitors' property is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor.

#### **AFFILIATE EVENT SPACE**

Any Affiliate Event that includes attendance by ISPOR conference delegates regardless of the hosting organization status (Exhibitor, Sponsor, and Symposia Host) is considered an Affiliate Event and is required to complete a Submission Form for review and approval by the ISPOR Global Events Team. All Affiliate Events and Private meetings held in conjunction with ISPOR 2025 must adhere to the official request process and established criteria, located on the conference website.

# **USE OF ISPOR LOGO AND MEETING NAME**

No company may use the ISPOR logo, which is a registered trademark, or likeness on any promotional materials (i.e., signage, direct mail piece, etc.), without the express written consent of ISPOR. Meeting graphics in multiple sizes will be made available for Exhibitor use in promotional materials announcing their participation at ISPOR 2025. These banners should be hyperlinked to the ISPOR website <a href="https://www.ispor.org">www.ispor.org</a>.

#### ATTENDEE DATA AND LEAD RETRIEVAL

ISPOR respects the privacy of all its customers. ISPOR does not sell, rent, publish, or otherwise share contact information or its attendees, speakers, or Exhibitors.

Lead Retrieval is available to Exhibitors through a third-party provider. The lead retrieval form is available in the Exhibitor Service Kit. ISPOR registration badges will contain a QR Code. By allowing an Exhibitor or Sponsor to scan their badges during the conference, Attendees are consenting to provide their contact information (Name, Title, Organization, and Email only).

# **AMENDMENT OF RULES**

ISPOR reserves the right to make changes, amendments, and additions to the terms and conditions, the Exhibitor Rules and Regulations, or other show requirements or rules at any time, and all changes, amendments, and additions so made shall be binding on the Exhibitor with the provision that all Exhibitors will be advised in writing of any such changes. Any matters not specifically covered are subject to the discretion of ISPOR.