

Health and Safety

Maintaining the health and safety of our conference attendees is our top priority. For that purpose, IROS will be following the venue-specific standards and local and national guidelines to host the event safely and effectively. Please cooperate with us in implementing the countermeasures described below to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infections.

Health and Safety - General guidelines (ver. 1.0 - September 16, 2022)

Please take the following countermeasures to prevent the spread of the infection.

- Wear a face mask and take caution to protect others from getting infected.
- Sanitize your hands thoroughly and wash them frequently.
- Avoid the three Cs (closed spaces, crowded places, close-contact settings).
- Discourage greetings involving physical contact such as handshakes, high fives, fist or elbow bumps, and hugs.
- Take your body temperature before leaving home and avoid coming to the conference venue if it is 37.5 °C or above.
- Refrain from discarding masks at the venue.

In case of symptoms or suspecting a close-contact

If you develop Covid-like symptoms during your stay in Kyoto, please contact:

- [Kyoto Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Medical Consultation Center](#)
Tel: 075-414-5487
Operating hours: 24 hours a day (Everyday including weekends and holidays)
Multilingual support: 10:00–20:00

While anywhere else in Japan, please contact:

- [Call Center for COVID-19 Consultations - Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare, Japan](#)
Tel: 0120-565-653
Operating hours: 24 hours a day (Everyday including weekends and holidays)
Multilingual support: 9:00–21:00

Inform them of the region(s) you had stayed in most recently and visit the specified medical institution.

If tested Covid-positive

If you test Covid positive upon or after arrival in Japan, please cooperate with the active epidemiological investigations in accordance with the [Article 15 of Act on the Prevention of Infectious Diseases and Medical Care for Patients with Infectious Diseases](#) conducted by public health centers and other facilities with the help of local and/or national authorities.

In addition, please send a report email to sc2@iros2022.org.

Note: It is important to note that the law mandates the cooperation of individuals with the relevant authorities to prevent the outbreak of an infectious disease or when clarifying the status of outbreaks, progress, and the cause of outbreaks. According to official guidelines ([MHLW Health Card](#)), this includes promptly sharing your passport number and location information saved on your smartphone or other devices after arriving in Japan.

Alternate COVID-19 consultation desk (off-site)

- [Japan Visitor Hotline - Japan Tourism Agency](#)
Tel: 050-3816-2787
Operating hours: 24 hours a day (Everyday including weekends and holidays)
Multilingual support: Available

Policy on Registration Cancellation due to Travel/COVID-19 Restrictions

We encourage all attendees to register for in-person attendance only after receiving the travel authorization from your sponsor. Once you register, the conference anticipates your participation and incurs financial liabilities for your participation. If a change in your sponsoring organization's travel policy or travel restrictions imposed by the immigration/health authorities necessitate cancellation after you have registered and paid, standard [conference cancellation policies](#) will apply.

If you have a question for COVID-19, please do not hesitate to send email to sc2@iros2022.org.

We deeply appreciate your cooperation in preventing the spread of infection.

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