

First Announcement
The Fifth International Calicivirus Conference
October 12-15, 2013
Beijing, China

During the highly successful Fourth International Calicivirus Conference that was held in Santa Cruz, Chile, 2010, the proposal of Beijing/China as the next conference host received the most support from the conference committee members. On behalf of the local planning committee, we are happy to announce that the Fifth International Calicivirus Conference will be held in Beijing, China from October 12 to 15, 2013.

The meeting will last for four days, starting on Saturday (Oct 12) and concluding on the next Tuesday (Oct 15). We will have a similar agenda as that of the last meeting, which will include a keynote lecture and a number of State-of-the-Art presentations on variable human and animal calicivirus topics such as: virology and structure, pathogenesis and host susceptibility, diagnosis and typing, surveillance and epidemiology, environmental and food contamination, and prevention and intervention. Oral and poster presentations under each topic will be arranged following the keynote and State-of-the-Art presentations.

As a modern metropolis with a history of more than 3000 years and the host of the 2008 Olympics, Beijing is the capital and political center of China. The city renowned for its opulent palaces, temples, gardens, tombs, walls and gates, and its art treasures and universities have made it a center of culture and art in China. Few cities in the world have been the political and cultural center of an area as immense for so long. October is the best time of year to visit Beijing. The meeting will be held in a large hotel with lodging for all attendees and a high-quality conference service. Sightseeing programs will also be arranged for the attendees during and/or after the meeting.

We are still in the early stage of program development, thus any suggestions about the meeting agenda are welcome. The website with detailed information of registration, abstract submission, traveling, and lodging will be opened in 30 March, 2013. Please share the information of this announcement with anyone who may be interested in participation, but is missed from our email list.

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