





# 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on **Prevention and Control** of Infection

"Strengthening Infection Prevention and Control towards a healthier, safer world"

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22 - 23 November 2024 | Sofitel Hotel, Abu Dhabi, UAE



The largest gathering of infection prevention community in the region

# Welcome Message



Dear Colleagues,

### It is with great pleasure that we invite you to the **6th International Conference on Prevention and Control of Infection** taking place from **23-24 November 2024 at the Sofitel Hotel i**n the vibrant city of **Abu Dhabi, UAE**.

This year's theme, "Strengthening Infection Prevention and Control towards a healthier, safer world" reflects our collective commitment to advancing the field of infection prevention and control. As we gather together, we have a unique opportunity to connect with like-minded professionals, collaborate on groundbreaking initiatives, and create the solutions that will shape a healthier, safer future.

The global landscape of healthcare has been forever transformed by the challenges we have faced in recent years. Now, more than ever, it is essential that we come together to share our knowledge, expertise, and innovative ideas. This conference will serve as a platform to facilitate meaningful dialogue, foster cross-disciplinary partnerships, and inspire the development of cutting-edge strategies and technologies.

This intriguing event has taken the initiative to gather world-class experts from both academia and industry on a common platform at the ICPCI Conference. They will share their recent research findings and enlighten the esteemed delegates on the latest trends in the field of Prevention and Control of Infection. An outstanding faculty of speakers from the United States, Canada, Europe, and the Middle East has committed to participate in this meeting. The ICPCI 2024 conference will bring together an international collaboration of scientists, researchers, and infectious diseases specialists from leading universities and research institutions, making the conference a perfect platform to share experiences, foster collaboration across industry and academia, and evaluate emerging technologies across the globe.

We encourage you to join us and engage in thought-provoking discussions, participate in interactive workshops, and network with the brightest minds in the industry. Together, we will explore the latest research, delve into best practices, and uncover new pathways to enhance infection prevention and control practices in the UAE, the region, and worldwide.

Your presence at this conference is invaluable, and we look forward to the insights and perspectives you will bring to the event. Let us embark on this journey of "Fostering connections, enabling effective collaboration, nurturing the creation of innovative solutions" and leave a lasting impact on the healthcare landscape.

We look forward to welcoming you to an enriching and impactful event.

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## **Conference Objectives**

- Explore the latest advancements and updates in infection prevention and control practices.
- Discuss regional surveillance updates and their implications for effective infection control strategies.
- Examine cutting-edge research in the field of infection prevention and control, and understand its practical applications.
- Review innovative and evidence-based measures for the prevention of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) such as CLABSI, CAUTI, VAP, VAE, and SSI.
- Identify and understand the essential components required for developing and managing effective infection prevention and control programs.
- Gain insights into emergency preparedness and disaster management plans specifically tailored for infectious diseases.
- Analyze current patterns and trends of antimicrobial resistance in the UAE, and explore strategies to address this growing challenge.
- Familiarize yourself with guidelines and best practices for environmental infection control in healthcare settings.
- Recognize the fundamentals of infection prevention and control during construction projects, and learn how to mitigate associated risks.
- Review best practices for the reprocessing of flexible endoscopes, ensuring patient safety and preventing healthcare-associated infections.
- Gain comprehensive knowledge of best practices for cleaning, disinfection, and sterilization in all healthcare settings.
- Learn about regulatory requirements and guidelines related to infection prevention and control, and ensure ongoing compliance.

# **Program Highlights**

- Surveillance Update
- Cutting-Edge IPC Research Update
- Innovative Measures for HAI Prevention focusing on key areas such as CLABSI, CAUTI, VAP, VAE, and SSI.
- Effective IPC Program Management
- Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management for Infectious Diseases
- Current Patterns and Trends of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)
- Antimicrobial Stewardship and MDRO prevention
- Waste management from cradle to grave
- Guidelines for Environmental Infection Control in Healthcare Settings
- Infection Prevention and Control during Construction and Renovation
- Best Practices for Reprocessing of Flexible Endoscopes
- Cleaning, Disinfection, and Sterilization Best Practices
- Compliance with Regulatory Bodies in Infection Prevention and Control
- Food safety
- JAWDA indicators
- Animal infection control

### **Call for Abstracts**

- Deadline: Aug 30, 2024
- Acceptance: September 15, 2024

### **Target Audience**

- · Healthcare providers
- Physicians
- Nurses
- Infection Preventionists
- Quality officers
- Microbiology
- Infectious disease consultants
- Public health officers
- Internal medicine
- Hospital Administrators
- Operating Theatre Personnel
- Pharmaceutical Personnel
- Emergency Response Personnel
  Critical Care Personnel who are
- involved in Infection Control
- Respiratory Therapists
- Lab Technicians
- Occupational Health
- Environmental Health & Safety
- Quality Director
- Chief Quality Officers
- Risk Management Professional



### In Pictures: Highlights from our previous ICPCI Conference









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Please select the conference that is relevant to your speciality.

Category	Physical
Doctors	AED 900
Non-Doctors	AED 600
Medical Residents / Students	AED 350

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If you are unable to attend, a substitute delegate will be very welcome in your place. If this is not suitable, a 20% administration fee will apply. Registrations cancelled less than one weeks before the event are non refundable.

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### **Event Venue**

### Abu Dhabi, UAE

The organizing committee reserves the right to make any modifications to the programme in occurrence of any unforeseen circumstances.

# About Abu Dhabi

Abu Dhabi is the largest emirate in the United Arab Emirates, occupying 84 per cent of the national landmass territory. It has 200 islands and a long coastline stretching 700km. Its total area is 67,340 sq. km. Abu Dhabi city in the emirate is the federal capital of the UAE.

### **Population**

According to Abu Dhabi Statistics Centre The estimated population of the emirate around mid-2016 was 2,908,173 (comprising 1,857,618 males and 1,050,555 females). 551,535 were UAE nationals and 2,356,638 were expatriates. The average annual population growth rate for the years from 2010 to 2016 was 5.6 per cent.

### Location and geography

The emirate of Abu Dhabi lies on the coast of the Arabian Gulf and is bordered by Sultanate of Oman to the east, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the south and the west and the emirate of Dubai to the northeast. The three main regions of the emirate are:

- the city of Abu Dhabi
- Al Ain in the east
- Al Dhafrah (earlier known as Al Gharbia) in the west.

In the eastern region, to the south of Al Ain city is Jebel Hafeet - the emirate's highest peak (1,240 metres). Al Dhafrah has seven main cities: Liwa, Madinat Zayed, Ghayathi, Ruwais, Mirfa, Sila and Delma Island. The city of Abu Dhabi is connected to the mainland by four bridges: Maqta bridge, Mussafah bridge, Sheikh Zayed bridge and Sheikh Khalifa bridge.

#### Economy

Over the recent decades, the emirate of Abu Dhabi has undergone a significant transformation in economic growth. Due to the vision of Abu Dhabi's leaders and the abundance of oil and natural gas reserves, the emirate has grown to become a dynamic hub and major competitor on the global stage. While recognising the success of the oil sector, Abu Dhabi is working hard to reduce its hydrocarbons reliance and broaden the emirate's economy. Investment in infrastructure, tourism, transport, health and education is continuing, in line with the government's 2030 economic plan.

Tourism is playing in integral role in Abu Dhabi's economic development. Major investment in new luxury resorts and business hotels is underway. Abu Dhabi has many things to offer to its visitors and residents: a versatile landscape, thriving investment hub, and a friendly environment boasting one of the highest per capita incomes and one of the lowest crime rates in the world.

#### **Touristic importance**

Abu Dhabi has become a centre for world-class sporting events such as: the Abu Dhabi Golf Championship, the prestigious Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge cross-country rally and the Formula One Abu Dhabi Grand Prix.

In addition, the city will soon house the world's largest concentration of premier cultural institutions which will include the Sheikh Zayed National Museum, the Guggenheim Abu Dhabi and Louvre Abu Dhabi.

Abu Dhabi is rich in natural wonders too. While the emirate's famous Liwa oasis in the south of the emirate is home to some of the largest and most beautiful sand dunes in the world, the garden city of Al Ain in the foothills of Jebel Hafeet is home to several heritage sites.









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