

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

after extended discussions with leading experts and epidemiologists, we came to the conclusion that the chances to be able to have an (at least partial) "live" Congress would be significant higher later in the year. As most of the participants are medical professionals, chances that they will get vaccination until November should be quite high. Travelling should be easier later in the year and the necessity for quarantines should decrease.

After consulting the organizing committee, we could offer November 4-5, 2021. So I proposed this date to all members of the Managing Board and they agreed to postpone the

23rd ISMST-Congress to November 4 – 5, 2021.

This is the final date now, no more changes are possible. We will hold the congress at this date, whatever the circumstances. We will monitor the development very carefully and decide at the end of summer if the congress will be live, virtual or a mix of both. Depending on the situation, we will also decide if the ISMST-Certification-Courses can be performed. All conditions stay the same, only the date has changed.

I hope you appreciate this decision of the Managing Board, which increases the chances to hold a live Congress.

Looking forward to welcoming you in Vienna in person.

Best regards,

Wolfgang

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