

LECC 2020, Guidance regarding the COVID-19, 2019-nCoV, Novel Coronavirus outbreak

The organisation committee has followed the development of the new coronavirus outbreak closely and continually considers how it may impact this year's LECC conference.

We follow the recommendations of World Health Organisation, <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>, and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, <https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/areas-presumed-ongoing-community-transmission-2019-ncov>.

If you, as a registered conference attendee, in the last 4 weeks have;

1. travelled from or through mainland China, or
2. been in close contact with other people (family, friends, colleagues, etc.) who recently have been in China, or
3. otherwise been in an environment where you think you may have been exposed as per the Q&As under the above links,

please identify yourself to us as the conference organisers, lecc@gard.no. We recommend that you approach your local medical service centre or practitioner and test whether you may have contracted the virus. The conference will refund the conference fee for any conference delegate who will need to cancel his/her attendance because of such conditions.

We have no attendees from China registered for the conference. We have attendees from other countries where coronavirus cases have been registered. We are not preventing attendance but ask those delegates to monitor themselves for symptoms and, if any are shown, either cancel your attendance and get your conference fee refunded or, if time permits, self-isolate in accordance with guidance.

We recommend registered attendees to check the above websites and exercise your own judgment and act in accordance with your home country and employer's guidance and recommendations regarding travel. Please feel free to raise any concern you may have with the conference organiser, lecc@gard.no, or with any member of the organising committee.

It is the responsibility of all attendees to act prudently in the interest of all other attendees.

Whilst at the conference we have requested all hotels and restaurants which will be venues for the conference activities and meals to have alcohol-based hand rub dispensers available for easy use.

We recommend all attendees to carefully study the WHO recommendations for **Basic protective measures against the new coronavirus** under the following link: <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public>.

Although unlikely, if the situation should arise that the conference would have to be cancelled, all conference fees paid will be refunded.

We shall keep this guidance under review and updated under the conference website, www.energyclaims.net.