The ACSP National Conference Committee, Florida Local Host Committee and Executive Committee have deliberated and decided that the most responsible direction to take for the 2021 Miami Annual Conference is to pivot to offer two conference opportunities - a virtual only or a combination virtual plus in-person conference.

We will host a virtual research conference on October 7-9, which will be primarily paper presentations in tracks 1-16, focal event sessions, keynote, plus virtual networking opportunities. We will also host the in-person conference in Miami, October 21-23, Thursday-Saturday. The in-person conference will flow from the virtual meeting, allowing continued discussion of the research papers presented virtually, plus networking, focal event sessions, roundtables for tracks 1-16, special sessions, in-person meetings, curated content, mobile tours, and posters and paper presentations in sessions where all presenters commit to attend in-person.

Persons can attend both the virtual and in-person events, or you can attend only the virtual conference. In-person registration will include the virtual conference attendance, but we will offer a standalone "virtual only" registration for persons who cannot or do not wish to travel. We believe that this format is "the best of both worlds" - broadening access to persons who cannot travel while maintaining an in-person meeting option.

This decision was informed by our analysis of the financial models and discussions with contractors necessary to host both events. We determined that in light of the finances, our general welfare, and current foreign travel restrictions, a two-part event is the option that will provide our colleagues all over the world with the opportunity to share their research, network with their peers, and learn from each other.

Decisions for abstract submissions were delivered last Friday (May 28) directly to your email. If you received an offer to present your paper, or participate in a roundtable discussion at the 2021 conference, your acceptance is conditional, and requires a response of whether you will attend in-person, or attend only the virtual portion of the conference. The event schedules cannot be created without this response from you. Paper sessions have already been created by track chairs as is our standard process for the conference, however if all presenters in the session indicate they will attend in Miami, the session will be scheduled for the in-person event. Otherwise, the majority of paper presentations will be hosted virtually. Roundtable discussions, and additional curated content will be developed for the in-person portion of this conference. Much more information will be shared regarding this conference and your participation.

More than 600 people indicated interest in attending an in-person event at the time of abstract submission. While we feel confident moving forward with this two-part event, if in-person registration falls well below this number, ACSP may have to consider cancelling the in-person portion of this conference, hosting only the virtual conference. Your response to whether you will attend in-person or virtual, sent to us by June 22, is critical to our moving forward.
other, giving the ACSP conference team a manageable way forward.

forward with both events. Click here to access the commitment form. ACSP will announce any change by July 1.

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**Other News**

Asia Pacific Network for Housing Research (APNHR): Online Symposium 28 June 2021

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Deadline Extended to June 15
ACSP and AESOP invite members from our respective organizations to participate in a joint paper presentation session and a joint roundtable for ACSP2021. The deadline to submit has been extended until June 15!

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TODAY - June 1: ACSP2021 Award Nominations Due
June 15: ACSP - AESOP Panel & Roundtable Submission Deadline
June 22: Deadline to Confirm Online or In-Person Attendance for ACSP2021

JULY
July 11-13: JPER Writing Workshop for New Scholars, Texas A&M University - Virtual

AUGUST
August 31: Final Paper Deadline for the Best Paper Award Sponsored by the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation

OCTOBER
October 7-9: ACSP Virtual Research Conference - Online
October 21-24: ACSP Annual Conference - In-Person

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