



Requirements for a short bid for organizing InterPore2026 in Europe

InterPore2026 is planned to be held in a European country in the week starting May 18, 2026. The duration of the meeting will be 4 or 5 days. The venue selection will be made in two stages. In Stage 1, all interested venues and parties are invited to provide a short bid. From all applicants of stage 1, four will be short-listed by the Events Committee and Executive Committee of InterPore. These four applicants will be invited to submit a detailed proposal.

The short bids should reflect the requirements specified below.

The requirements for the venue are as follows:

- One main lecture hall for 800-1000 participants (PAX), needed for plenary lectures;
- 2-3 rooms each for 250-300 PAX (for invited talks);
- Additionally, at least 6-5 rooms for about 100 PAX (we plan to have 8 parallel sessions).
- *Note: The walking time between the lecture rooms should take at most 2 min.*
- One room or space in a foyer for registration on the Sunday afternoon before the start of the conference, and during the first couple of days of the conference;
- Two small rooms for 15-20 persons, needed for meetings of the Executive Committee, Council meetings, etc., as well as for the VIP members of the Society;
- One large space, ca 1000 m², needed for the poster session, exhibition booths, and coffee breaks. This should be a single space, e.g., large foyer or large room, or in the worst case two merged rooms, or a room merged with a foyer. This space ideally should be next to at least some of the lecture rooms, in the worst-case walking from a lecture room to this space shouldn't take more than 3-4 min.
- Availability of catering service or food courts nearby,
- Please, specify to which category belong the venue with respect to a rough cost estimate:

(a) less than 100 000 Euro;

(b) between 100 000 and 150 000 Euro;

(c) between 150 000 and 200 000 Euro

(d) more than 200 000 Euro

Note: Please, specify if the estimated AV costs are included or not.

Furthermore, the following should be briefly noted in the bid document:

- The nearest big international and intercontinental airport and the accessibility (by train, metro, etc);
- Availability of relatively large hotels of various categories (3, 4 and 5 stars) near the. Having inexpensive accommodations for students is also desirable.

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- The availability of a group of porous media researchers who are ready to serve on a local organizing committee. If yes, please, provide at least one name. In exceptional cases, InterPore can help to identify potential local organizers.

Potentially interested venues are invited to send a short bid to Oleg Iliev, oleg.iliev@itwm.fraunhofer.de, with a copy to Karolin Weber, karolin.weber@interpore.org, by December 15th, 2023.

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