

Session ‘Virtual Ergonomics of PPE Systems’

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the 9th European Conference on Protective Clothing (**ECPC2020**), and in collaboration with CEN/TC122/WG14 – ‘Ergonomics of PPE Systems’, we cordially invite you to contribute to a session on ‘**Virtual Ergonomics of PPE Systems**’ during ECPC 2020.

The topic broadly covers the application of modelling and/or simulation techniques to any (anthropometrical, thermal, biomechanical,...) aspect related to the ergonomics of PPE systems, defined as any set of devices or appliances designed to be worn or held by an individual for protection against one or more health and safety hazards.

We expect that presentations during this session may stimulate the development of a new European standard on Ergonomics of PPE ensembles. Potential contributions might include review or overview papers as well as reports on dedicated studies.

Contributors to this session are offered the option to submit a full-length paper after the conference to a topical collection of articles to be published in **EXCLI Journal** following peer review. EXCLI is an open access scientific journal indexed, e.g. by Pubmed, Web of Science, Scopus etc. with an impact factor (IF) of 2.112. EXCLI Journal is particularly keen to keep a broad view of science and technology including ergonomics and occupational medicine, and is free to both readers and authors, i.e. there is **NO** article-processing fee.

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Contributors are requested to submit an abstract following the guidelines on the conference website, additionally indicating the session title ‘**Virtual Ergonomics of PPE Systems**’ in their abstract. Further information on the venue, topics, registration and abstract submission are available at the conference website <https://www.hohenstein.com/en/events/ecpc-2020/>

Please feel free to distribute this announcement to further colleagues in your group or institution.

We are looking forward to receiving your contribution and meeting you in Stuttgart.

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