**Request for Short Bids: Hosting InterPore2028 in Europe**

InterPore2028 is scheduled to take place in a country within Europe during either May 9-12, 2028, or May 16-19, 2028. The venue selection will follow a two-stage process. In Stage 1, all interested venues and stakeholders are invited to submit concise bids. Based on these submissions, the InterPore Events Committee and Executive Committee will shortlist up to four applicants. The shortlisted candidates will then be invited to submit detailed proposals in Stage 2.

**Stage 1 Bid Requirements**Short bids should include the following information:

1. **Location and Accessibility**: Clearly specify the location of the proposed venue and indicate its accessibility for attendees, including proximity to transportation hubs and major airports.
2. **Venue Facilities and Amenities**:
Briefly outline the facilities available at the venue, ensuring they meet the following requirements:

**Lecture Rooms:**

* + - One main lecture hall for 600-700 participants (PAX), needed for plenary lectures.
		- 2-3 rooms each with a capacity of 200-300 PAX for invited talks.
		- At least 4-5 additional rooms with a capacity of 80-150 PAX to accommodate parallel sessions (anticipated 6 parallel sessions.)
		- Walking time between the lecture rooms should be no more than 2-3 minutes.

**Additional Spaces:**

* + - A designated area for registration, available on the afternoon before the conference begins and for the duration of the event.
		- Two small meeting rooms for 15-20 PAX, allocated for committee meetings and VIP members of the Society.
		- One large space (approximately 1000 m2) for simultaneously hosting poster sessions, exhibition booths, and coffee breaks. Ideally, this space should be near the lecture rooms, with a walking distance of no more than 3-4 minutes.

**Catering:**

* Briefly note the availability of on-site catering service or nearby food courts.

**Estimated Venue Cost Category (excluding catering):**

* + - (A) Less than $100,000;
		- (B) Between $100,000 and $150,000;
		- (C) More than $150,000.
		- Please specify whether the estimated AV costs are included or excluded from the above estimate.
		- Please note that the InterPore Office is serving as a PCO in organizing the InterPore events, and no participation from external PCO should be planned.
1. **Financial Support**: Provide information regarding any subsidies, grants, or financial support you anticipate receiving, or intend to provide, to support hosting this conference.
2. **Accommodation**: Provide general information on nearby accommodation options, including hotels of various categories.
3. **Local Organizing Committee (LOC)**: Indicate the availability of a group of porous media researchers willing to serve on a local organizing committee. Indicate the ability of this group to involve local students as student helpers during the conference, and to work actively on attracting local and international industry to participate in the event. If needed, InterPore can assist in identifying potential local organizers. The bid should be submitted together from a venue and a lead member of the LOC.

We encourage all interested parties to submit the attached bid form to Oleg Iliev (oleg.iliev@itwm.fraunhofer.de) with a copy to Karolin Weber (karolin.weber@interpore.org.)

**Deadline for:**

* **Short Bid Submission:** 10 September 2025
* **Evaluation of the short bids:** 10 October 2025
* **Submission of the final bids:** 30 November 2025
* **Evaluation of the final submissions:** 15 January 2026

**InterPore2028 Bid Submission Form**

**1. General Information**

* Venue Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Venue Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Contact Person Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Availability of Dates**

* 09 – 12 May 2028 (Yes/No)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 16 – 19 May 2028 (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Additional information (if needed)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**3. Location & Accessibility**

* City & Country: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Nearest International Airport: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Distance to Airport (in km/mins): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Public Transport Options: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**4. Venue Facilities**

* Main Lecture Hall Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Number of Invited Talk Rooms (250-300 PAX): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Number of Parallel Session Rooms (80-150 PAX): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Walking Time Between Rooms: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Registration Space Availability: (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* VIP Meeting Rooms Availability: (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Poster & Exhibition Space (m²): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**5. Catering**

* On-site Catering Available? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Nearby Food Courts? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**6. Estimated Costs**

* Venue Cost (excluding catering): (A/B/C) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* AV Cost Included? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Financial Support**

* Expected Subsidies/Grants: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**8. Accommodation**

* Number of Nearby Hotels: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Estimated Price Range (Low-High per night): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Student Accommodation Available? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**9. Local Organizing Committee**

* Lead Organizer Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Other Potential LOC Members (if available): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Submission Details**

Please return this completed form to:

* **Oleg Iliev** (oleg.iliev@itwm.fraunhofer.de)
* **Karolin Weber** (karolin.weber@interpore.org)

**No later than 10 September 2025**

We look forward to receiving your proposals!