

As you may be aware, the World Health Organization officially declared the novel coronavirus COVID-19 a pandemic. This global health crisis is a unique challenge that has impacted many members of the IEEE family. We would like to express our concern and support for all the members of the IEEE community, our professional team, our families, and all others affected by this outbreak.

Governments around the world are now issuing restrictions on travel, gatherings, and meetings in an effort to limit and slow the spread of the virus. The health and safety of the IEEE community is our first priority and IEEE is supporting these efforts.

Following the advice and guidelines from healthcare officials and local authorities, IEEE CQR 2020 will now be held virtually on 14 May 2020.

Accepted papers for IEEE CQR 2020 will be submitted for inclusion in IEEE Xplore Digital Library after they are presented at the virtual conference. Information and instructions on how to prepare for a virtual presentation will be sent separately.

Registration fees for IEEE CQR 2020 will be adjusted. Authors and non-authors who have registered at the original fees will be refunded the price difference.

We extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all of our technical community for your understanding and community engagement. Although IEEE CQR 2020 cannot be held physically, the integrity and quality of the research and content will remain and now be experienced in the virtual environment. Thank you for your support of our shared mission to advance technology for humanity.

The 34th IEEE International Workshop on Communications Quality and Reliability will be held online on 14 May 2020. We look forward to welcoming our members and participants.

With a theme of "Virtualization and Cloudification in the 5G era", this workshop of the IEEE Communications Society will offer technical sessions, original paper presentations, and keynotes panels designed to further career opportunities and the in-depth understanding of key issues impacting communications networks quality and reliability.