

MIXED METHODS INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

CHAPTER REGIONAL CONFERENCE POLICY

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PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND

This document regularizes MMIRA's policy on *Regional Conferences* organized by MMIRA Chapters. The policy was approved by the MMIRA board on April 4, 2024.

DEFINITIONS

Global Conferences are defined as any event organized by and/or on behalf of MMIRA, where delegates from around world attend in person or online or both, and keynote speakers are invited to present.

Regional Conferences are defined as any event organized by MMIRA Chapters in any given geographical region where delegates from across the region and beyond the region attend in person or online or both, and keynote speakers are invited to present.

Local Conferences are defined as any event organized by MMIRA Chapters in any given country where local delegates attend in person or online or both, and keynote speakers are invited to present.

POLICY

MMIRA Chapters should adhere to the following protocol when organizing *Regional Conferences*:

- ✓ As MMIRA *Global Conferences* take place during even years (e.g. 2024), *Regional Conferences* should be scheduled to take place during odd years (e.g. 2025).
- ✓ *Regional Conference* organizers must apply via the MMIRA Conference Committee for approval using the standardized Regional MMIRA Conference Application form. The latest version of the Conference Application form can be found on the MMIRA website.
- ✓ Final approval for Regional Conferences is authorized by the MMIRA Board.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND ACTIONS

When organizing *Regional Conferences*, MMIRA Chapters should adhere to the protocol outlined above. If any clarification is required on any aspect of the protocol, organizers should liaise with the MMIRA Conference Committee.

The MMIRA Conference Committee will support MMIRA Chapters in planning for Regional Conferences. Chapters are advised to approach the Conference Committee at the earliest available opportunity to discuss potential conferences.

EXCLUSIONS

This policy does not apply to *Local Conferences* (as defined above). This policy is not applicable to MMIRA Affiliates.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

If you have any queries about any aspect of this policy, please contact the MMIRA Conference Committee. Contact details for the Conference Committee can be found on the MMIRA website.