

## Call for Abstracts: 2nd EuroQol Africa Academy Meeting 2022 (Virtual)

October 1, 2021

Dear Colleagues:

The EQ-5D instruments (i.e., EQ-5D-3L, EQ-5D-5L, and EQ-5D-Y) are increasingly used in Africa in clinical trials and economic evaluation studies. The challenges to pharmacoeconomics in Africa have driven the recent increase in fundamental and methodological research in preference-based quality of life in the region. Many African countries have also undertaken the development of their own EQ-5D value sets.

The 1<sup>st</sup> EuroQol Africa Academy Meeting was successfully held in Cape Town, South Africa on 13-14 February 2020. We wish to expand on the gains of the first Africa Academy Meeting in building capacity in the field of measurement of HRQoL, stimulating interest in the continued and expanding use of the EQ-5D in Africa and bringing more EQ-5D researchers from African countries together to share their work, plus providing an opportunity for networking and collaboration among participants. We also welcome researchers who are not from African countries, but whose work does or will promote benefit and welfare in Africa.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> EuroQol Africa Academy Meeting will be held on 9-10 February 2022 as a virtual meeting launched from Cairo, Egypt. We kindly invite you to submit an abstract electronically in the [EuroQoL Abstract Submission Portal](#) by 31 October 2021, 23.59 CET. Abstracts should not exceed 500 words.

If you have problems with submission or questions regarding the meeting, please email the EuroQol Africa Academy Meeting organizing team at [euroqolafrica2022@gmail.com](mailto:euroqolafrica2022@gmail.com).

Attached you will find:

1. The organization of the scientific program
2. Key topics of strategic interest to the EuroQol Group
3. Timelines
4. Abstract Form

Please see the Abstract Form for posters and presentations. You may also submit an abstract for leading a targeted panel discussion. Priority will be given to presentations focusing on the use of EQ-5D in research or clinical practice. Presentations on validation of the different EQ-5D versions, methodological research and valuation studies in Africa are particularly welcome.

Your participation and support are very welcome. We look forward to receiving your abstracts.

Regards,

Samar Farid,

2<sup>nd</sup> EuroQoL Africa Academy Meeting Chair

## 1. The organization of the scientific programme

The virtual meeting will be held on two days, launched from Cairo, Egypt. Each day will start with a keynote presentation about recent developments in the EuroQol Group and trends in the global research of the EQ-5D. These keynote presentations will then be followed by scientific discussions of the submitted papers and posters. In the paper discussions, each author will present his/her work in 10 minutes. Speakers who may not have stable internet connections, will be asked to send recorded presentations, but need be available live for questions afterwards. In the poster session, each poster will be discussed for approximately 5 minutes by the author, then a brief Q and A will follow.

Given the highly interactive format of the meeting, the final meeting agenda will depend on the number and quality of the submitted abstracts.

## 2. Key topics of strategic interest to the EuroQol Group

The EuroQol Group's Executive Committee has established several Working Groups, each is charged with specific objectives relating to the scientific agenda of the EuroQol Group. A summary of each Working Group's activities and research priorities can be found [here](#). Those intending to submit abstracts are encouraged to consult these summaries as they indicate the topics and issues of greatest interest to the EuroQol Group and inform you about planned or ongoing activities that may be relevant to the work you intend to present.

Submitted abstracts will be evaluated by 3 reviewers. Both accepted and rejected abstract authors will be invited to attend the virtual meeting.

## 3. Timelines

31 October, 2021	Abstract submission deadline
1-15 November, 2021	Review and selection of abstracts
18 November, 2021	Abstract acceptance notification
21 January, 2022	Deadline for submitting paper and poster presentations
26 January, 2022	Review of submitted paper and poster presentations
3 February, 2022	Receive recorded presentations where applicable

Registration and programme information will follow later this year.

Please note: No deadline extensions are to be requested please.

### Meeting time and place

Time : 9-10 February 2022

Place : Online Zoom meeting

## Abstract Form

**2nd EuroQol Africa Academy Meeting 2022 (Virtual)**  
**Cairo, Egypt**  
**9-10 February 2022.**

**Please submit a structured abstract. Word limit is 500 words.**

**TITLE:**

**AUTHORS:**

**ABSTRACT:**

**Background:**

**Aim:**

**Methods:**

**Data Analysis:**

**Results:**

**Conclusion and Recommendations:**

- Word count: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- Please indicate your presentation preference:
  - Paper  Poster (to be discussed as part of poster session)
  
  - No preference
  
- Please indicate your preference for the presentation:
  - Live  Recorded
  
- Has this research received funding from the EuroQol Research Foundation?
  - No  Yes

Name:

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