



New dates and time for LACCEI 2021– Virtual Edition

Dear members, authors, participants and supporters of the LACCEI group, given the current circumstances of the pandemic that has spread throughout the world, the LACCEI Board of Directors has seen the need to organize its annual conference, scheduled to be held in the city of Buenos Aires from July 21 to 23, 2021, virtually. Understanding that the conference gathers participants from various countries and continents, from America to Europe, our virtual conference will take place on **July 19 to 23 of this year**, with **4 hours per day**:

11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with a break between 1:00 p.m. and 1:30 p.m., Eastern Daylight-Saving Time (**EDT (GMT-4)**).

3:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., with a break between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., Greenwich Mean Time (**GMT**).

We are working on a system so that you can view the respective hours in your city and / or country. The conference schedule will be permanently available on the conference website:

www.laccei.org/conference

New registration fees for LACCEI 2021

At LACCEI, we want to preserve the commitment to encourage academic discourse and we recognize that the presentation of papers is the heart of an academic conference. We further recognize that a key feature of a physical conference is the opportunity to interact informally with colleagues between sessions. Remember that LACCEI is the host of the OAS Summit of Engineering for the Americas and that the presentations of full papers that meet the specified requirements are published in **SCOPUS**.

Since some interactions will be limited by the virtual format, LACCEI has made an effort to reduce the fees of this year. We present to you the new discounted fees for LACCEI 2021, which represents a 30% reduction in the initial price, becoming one of the lowest compared to similar conferences.

In order to encourage the participation of our LACCEI family and colleagues, this year we added fees for members participants who are not authors.

Each registration includes the publishing of one paper. If you have additional accepted papers (a max of 2) you should pay 75 USD for each of them. To Access the page for payments of additional papers, please click [here](#).

To access the registration and payment page you can click [here](#).

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Type of participant	Fees from May 20 to June 30	Fees from July 1 until the conference
Author Member	\$300	\$350
Non-Author Member	\$100	\$150
Non-Member	\$400	\$450
Student Member	\$100	\$100
Student Non-Member	\$200	\$200

*Fees in United States Dollars.

Activities planned for LACCEI 2021

As usual in LACCEI conferences, the activities planned for this year are:

- Main plenaries with special guests
- Parallel technical sessions for Full papers presentations
- Poster session for work in progress
- Student competitions sessions
 - Oral presentation of finalists
 - Student posters
- Discussion panels on topics of interest
- Meetings of the LACCEI permanent committees
- Recognition of the LACCEI medalist
- Networking with our colleagues
- Workshops with Sponsors
- Interaction between all participants

How will the virtual conference work?

Participants to the virtual conference must pay the registration according to the table presented above. Once the registration and payment have been made, the participant will receive an email with the password, **unique and non-transferable**, which will be used to access the virtual platform. As a user of the platform, the participant must **use the same email used during the registration process**.

The LACCEI 2021 virtual conference platform will create a virtual interaction environment that will allow participants to navigate the conference activities as mentioned in the previous point.



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How the presentations will be done?

Remember to submit the final version of your paper to the EasyChair platform before **June 20, 2021**. To access a tutorial on how to upload your article click [here](#).

Full Papers and Student Research Papers Finalist

Authors should send a video explaining the work done in the paper. The duration of the presentation should not exceed **10 minutes**. Authors must submit the video file in .mp4 format to submit@laccei.org before **July 1, 2021**. For more information on how to generate the video in .mp4 format from a .pptx file that contains the slides and the audio, please click [here](#).

The sessions will last one (1) hour, with 4 presentations of 10 minutes each one and at the end, there will be a space of 15 minutes for questions and answers. **The author must attend the session in the Zoom room** and be available to answer the questions of the participants.

To access the PowerPoint template of the LACCEI 2021 conference, please click [here](#).

Poster Presentations of Work in Progress and Student Research Papers

Authors should send a video explaining the work done in the paper and should use the PowerPoint template for virtual conference posters. The duration of the presentation should not exceed **5 minutes**. Authors must submit the video file in .mp4 format to submit@laccei.org before **July 1, 2021**. For more information on how to generate the video in .mp4 format from a .pptx file that contains the slides and the audio, please click [here](#).

The author must attend the session in the Zoom room and be available to answer the questions of the participants.

To access the LACCEI 2021 virtual conference PowerPoint poster template, click [here](#).

Technological requirements to participate in the LACCEI 2021 virtual conference

LACCEI will provide an interactive platform that can be accessed from any tool (computer, smartphone, iPad), system (Mac, Windows, iOS, android) and browser (Firefox, Google Chrome (recommended), Safari). The platform will only be available to registered attendees who have paid the fees for the virtual conference.



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The platform integrates the Zoom and Whova services. Both will be interconnected. For this reason, we invite you to download the Whova application to your cell phone to complement your interaction at the conference.

For full interactivity on the virtual platform, participants must have a device that includes a microphone, webcam and an updated internet browser. In addition, for a better experience it is recommended to have a reliable internet connection.

A chat will be available to help participants who have problems during the conference and will be offered in the 4 official languages of LACCEI.

Paper Publication

All registered and paid articles **must be presented at the LACCEI 2021** virtual conference to be published in LACCEI digital memories with ISBN, ISSN.

The Full papers will also have Digital Object Identifier (DOI) and will be indexed by **SCOPUS** and other online open indexers.