

Dear Colleagues,

ICM 2018 Satellite Event Organizers

It has been brought to our attention that some Invited Speakers of ICM 2018 Satellite Events were approached by telephone by people purporting to help with the booking of accommodation and requesting your credit card information.

Some of those people claim to work for Expo Housing Services, a US based company.

Please be advised and inform the Participants of your Event that is a scam.

The ICM 2018 Organizing Committee has no relation whatsoever with Expo Housing Services. None of our partner hotels will take the \*initiative\* to get in touch with Participants to offer accommodation, and no one is authorized by the Organizing Committee to do it.

Based on the information we gathered, it seems that the scammers are collecting the speakers names from Events' website, together with telephone numbers from your own webpages, and that is how they are reaching the ICM 2018 Participants.

In case a Participant has previously contacted a hotel, it will most likely require his/her credit card data in order to confirm the reservation. In no other circumstance should you and/or your invited participants inform credit card data.

Yours.

Eduardo Teixeira

Chair of the ICM 2018 Satellite Events