



## **Workshop Call for 2022 Global Amphibian & Reptile Disease (GARD) Conference**

We invite proposals for in-person, virtual, and hybrid workshops for the [2022 Global Amphibian & Reptile Disease Conference](#) held from 4 – 10 August 2022 in Knoxville, Tennessee, with workshops occurring on Thursday, 4 August. Workshops will provide participants an opportunity to learn new skills related to amphibian and reptile diseases. We expect workshops to range from 1.5 – 2 hours, but more or less time can be requested as necessary. Workshops are more interactive and informal than talks, and they can involve extended discussion as well as hands-on training. Workshops may involve one or more leaders/presenters. A strong workshop proposal will make clear what knowledge, skills, tools, or insights participants might expect to gain relevant to amphibian and reptile diseases. **To submit a proposal**, please send the following materials to Mark Wilber ([mwilber@utk.edu](mailto:mwilber@utk.edu)) as a Word or PDF file.

- Workshop title (Required; 75 words max.).
- One lead organizer (Required; name, institution, and email).
- Any number of co-organizers, including zero (Optional; name, institution, and email).
- Workshop description (Required; 250 words max.).
  - Include the learning objectives/goals of the workshop, how they will be achieved, and how they relate to amphibian and reptile disease.
  - Include any prior knowledge necessary for the attendees.
  - Include a statement about expertise to host the proposed workshop.
- Minimum and maximum number of participants, and virtual, hybrid, or in-person (Req.).
- Resource and budget needs for workshop (Required).
  - Include expected cost per person for the workshop based on materials needed. It is reasonable to include an honorarium for the organizer or travel cost if in-person. Add \$5/person for snacks or beverages and \$15/person for lunch.
  - We will be able to provide standard A/V equipment (e.g., projectors, podium, HDMI cables, standard dongles for Mac and PCs, etc.)
  - We will also be able to provide access to lab space and most standard veterinary diagnostic equipment (e.g., qPCR, necropsy tables) if hands-on diagnostic workshops are proposed. Many basic consumable supplies can be available upon request at a nominal laboratory fee. Please contact Mark Wilber ([mwilber@utk.edu](mailto:mwilber@utk.edu)) to discuss resource needs.

Workshops, organizers, and attendees are expected to promote an environment conducive to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

**Deadlines:** Workshop proposals are due **March 1**.

**Proposal Review:** Proposals will be reviewed and organizers will be notified by **March 15**.