

SAVE THE DATE!

2023 HOCM Mini-Conference: Sunday, May 21, 2023

POMS College of Humanitarian Operations and Crisis Management (HOCM College)

The HOCM College will be hosting our annual mini-conference on Sunday, May 21, one day before the main conference. Join us to explore new topics relevant to humanitarian operations and crisis management and learn from practitioners and academics. This is an excellent opportunity to exchange ideas with experts and colleagues that will inform and inspire your research!

This year, the mini-conference will be a **field trip to the Emergency Operations Center (EOC)** managed by the City of Orlando on May 21. Buses will leave around 12:30 p.m. and will be back at the hotel around 5:00 pm. (EDT – New York Time Zone).

This year's field trip allows us to learn firsthand how the center operates, activate, and respond in case of emergencies. The EOC is co-located with the City's 911 Emergency Center and the Traffic Management Center that allow them to coordinate when activating their protocols. We will also hear about how they put in place training programs to enhance community preparedness in Central Florida.

You can register for the POMS mini-conference as part of the registration for the POMS conference, so be sure to look out for the registration option! **Space is limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.**

More details will be provided at a later date. If you have any questions, please email Harwin de Vries HOCM VP of meetings (Junior) at harwin.devries@rsm.nl, Johanna Amaya, HOCM (Senior) VP of meetings at amayaj@psu.edu, or Erica Gralla, HOCM President at egralla@email.gwu.edu.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

The College of Humanitarian Operations and Crisis Management

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The HOCM College is a set of members from the POMS community with an objective to connect the communities of academics and practitioners with a common goal of achieving effective and efficient humanitarian operations and management of crises. The College organizes research tracks, mini conferences, panel discussions, best paper awards, and workshops at the POMS conferences.