



2020 Virtual IBUC Conference Program

Please note that all times mentioned in this program are in the **EST** time zone, the time zone of the IBUC chair. For example, there is a 6 hour time difference with the **CET** time zone. So for many Europeans, the conference starts at 14:00 on Monday, September 14. You can check your local time here: <https://bit.ly/39NL41C>.

Monday, September 14: Day 1, Conference with Presentations	
Time	Activity
8:00 – 8:15	<p><i>Plenary Session (15 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Opening remarks by IBUC Chair, Gina Cheung – University of Michigan (5 minutes) ● Original IBUC 2020 Cyprus sponsor by Costas Diamantides (2 minutes) ● Welcome by Statistics Netherlands – Harry Wijnhoven, Member of the Board of Directors and CEO Blaise, Statistics Netherlands (CBS) (8 minutes)
8:15 – 10:00	<p><i>Presentation Session 1:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The co-existence of Blaise 4 and Blaise 5 in CYPSTAT (CYSTAT) ● Converting Social Survey Blaise 4 questionnaires to Blaise 5; The Challenges of multilingual questionnaires and challenging collection environments (ONS) ● Continued Adventures Transitioning from Blaise 4 to 5 (US NASS) ● PAPI to Blaise 5 – Challenges and Solutions in Creating Complex Tables (RTI International) ● Using Expressions in Blaise 5 (Westat)
10:00 – 10:15	Break (15 minutes)
10:15 – 12:00	<p><i>Presentation Session 2</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Using the Resource Database to control web security (Westat) ● Blaise 5 Scaling Experience (Westat) ● Using the Resource Database to adapt to session timeouts (Westat) ● Managing a complex scenario for the collection of business report forms (Statistics Denmark) ● Evolution of Blaise Survey development in Statistics Finland (Statistics Finland)

Tuesday, September 15: Day 2, Team Blaise Presentations

Time	Activity
8:00 – 10:00	<i>Presentation Session 3</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Features (Roger)• Apps (Loek)• CMA (Lon)
10:00 – 10:15	Break (15 minutes)
10:15 – 12:00	<i>Session 4:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Layout (Tessa)• Blasium (Angelo)• Colectica (Dan & Jeremy)

Levels

Level 1 Basic Assumes some knowledge of Blaise 5.

Level 2 Advanced Assumes knowledge of Blaise 5, C# and/or JavaScript.

Information about the sessions

New Features

In this session, we'll show you an overview of the new features in Blaise 5.

Apps

In this session, we will have a look at the Dep-, Android, and iOS apps. Their main purpose is to be able to conduct surveys in an offline environment. To do this, the Blaise 5 apps have the ability to download & install surveys and Manipula dialog applications on a device/laptop/desktop computer. Once installed on the device, you can run them completely offline.

CMA

In this session, we'll show you our CAPI case management system that can be used on mobile devices in the Apps.

Layout

In this session, we'll show you how you can use a Resource Database that uses your house style to tweak your survey to its specific needs.

Blasium

In this session, we'll show you our automated test tool Blasium that we have started using for regression testing of new Blaise releases.

Colectica

In this session, Colectica is going to show the newest additions to the Colectica Questionnaire Designer.

Wednesday, September 16: Day 3, Conference with Presentations

Time	Activity
8:00 – 10:00	<p><i>Presentation Session 5</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Blaise 5 CAPI in collaboration with COTS software (Statistics Netherlands)● DIM-Device Instrument Manager (University of Michigan)● Data Collection Management Systems in Statistics Finland (Statistics Finland)● Choréo – The Blaise 5 Multimode Management System (MMP Survey Services, LLC)● Blaise 5 in SHARE (Tilburg University)● Towards a modern mixed-mode Labor Force Survey (Statistics Norway)
10:00 – 10:10	Break (10 minutes)
10:10 – 12:10	<p><i>Presentation Session 6</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Using Respondent Centred Design to Transform Social Surveys at the ONS (ONS)● The power of Blaise Analytics: An example of predicting break-off behavior (Statistics Netherlands)● Proof of concept questionnaire design for social research: challenges and opportunities of a smartphone first approach (Statistics Netherlands)● Using Field Properties to Assist Editors (US NASS)● Field Properties Values: A Tool to Identify and Adjust Missing Data from 'Relation' Extraction (University of Michigan)● Michigan Questionnaire Documentation System MQDS5 (University of Michigan)

Thursday, September 17: Day 4, Team Blaise Presentations

Time	Activity
8:00 – 10:00	<i>Presentation Session 7:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Performance Testing (Hugo)• Security (Bas)• Custom MVC Apps (Stijn)
10:00 – 10:15	Break (15 minutes)
10:15 – 11:45	<i>Presentation Session 8:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CATI Management (Tim)• Tips & Tricks (Ralph)
11:45 – 12:00	2020 Virtual Conference closing statement and next IBUC announcement (IBUC Chair)

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Performance Testing

In this session, we'll show you how to set up a testing environment to determine how many concurrent users your questionnaire can handle.

Security

In this session, we'll talk about the things you need to consider when tightening up the locks and chains around your system. We will discuss security patches and how to implement an HTTP module.

Custom MVC Apps

In this session, we'll show the basic framework for a custom MVC DEP application. After that, we will show how to build custom controls.

CATI Management

In this session, we'll show new functionality that has been added to the CATI management system, for instance, the Multi-scheduler, the appointment control, custom reports and dashboard extensions.

Tips & Tricks

In this session, we'll show you some tips & tricks for the Blaise system. We will show, among others, how to use Genymotion to develop mobile questionnaires and how to use record filter optimizations.