

To all member societies of WCCES

It is the tradition of WCCES at each triennial World Congress to announce the venue of the next Congress. At the XIV Congress General Meeting in Istanbul this year, 2010, we plan to announce the venue and hosts for the XV Congress for 2013.

This is an invitation to any WCCES member society to develop and submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to host the XV WCCES World Congress in 2013.

The deadline for consideration of an EOI by the WCCES Council Executive is February 28, 2010, when the Council meets in Chicago, in conjunction with the CIES Annual Meeting. All EOIs for 2013 will be discussed at that time. It is anticipated that one (possibly two) formal proposal(s) will then be fully developed and taken forward to the World Congress Executive meeting on 13 June in Istanbul.

We will be pleased to hear from you. Already at the WCCES Rabat meeting in November 2009, we received an offer by one of our Member Societies and we have invited them to present a more detailed EOI for discussion on 28 February 2010. The invitation to submit an EOI remains open until then, should you be considering hosting our next Congress. We can assist you in the preparation of an EOI over the next few weeks. An EOI does not commit you to hosting a Congress. No contract will be signed between the member society and WCCES until after all details have been finalised. It is anticipated that a visit will be made to the proposed site by one or more of the Office Bearers of the Council or their appointee, later in 2010.

First step:

Send an initial email to the Secretary-General indicating an EOI, including:

1. Name of Society which would host the Congress
2. Name of President of Society and/or proposed Congress Convenor if not the President
3. Site of proposed principal venue of the Congress (city and e.g. a University or Conference Centre).

Second Step:

Develop an EOI including the above information plus:

4. Possible dates for the Congress in 2013 (days and month)
5. Ideas for a theme for the Congress
6. Explanation of the Society' status (e.g. the report of your Society sent to WCCES end 2009)
7. Description of advantages and cultural/intellectual/other attractions that would encourage participants to attend your Congress Venue capacity – e.g. plenary halls, break-out meeting rooms

Third step:

After further discussions with WCCES, your proposal would need to include a budgetary proposal, with the assistance of our Treasurer, David Turner, with indications of registration fees, costs, possible donor income, potential supporters (e.g. the University), anticipated numbers of participants etc. Usually, the detailed budget is presented for consideration at the major prior meeting of Congress (i.e. in this case, June 13th, 2010)

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