



## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE XXIV<sup>TH</sup> ICHS CONGRESS 2025

In 2020, during the XXIII<sup>rd</sup> Congress held in Poznań, the General Assembly of ICHS will choose the place where the XXIV<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Historical Sciences will be hosted.

Organized every five years, the ICHS Congress is a major stage in the life and the development of our institution. We can hope, thanks to a good promotion, to attract between 1,500 and 3,000 delegates coming from at least 100 countries. The ICHS Congress is a very large scale enterprise which requires an important financial support and a rigorous management. But the potential benefits are considerable. The Congress offers to the City host a unique opportunity to promote the scientific works of the local historians and to confirm its cultural standing. The Congress should also result in an increased interest for the discipline and for ICHS in the concerned region.

The participants will expect a high level academic program. Famous participants can bring a considerable prestige to the Congress, whereas well prepared professional visits and cultural excursions before or after the Congress can contribute in an important way to the global success of the event.

We wish to collect offers of cities willing to welcome the congress of 2025. ICHS Board expects to receive several applications that will be presented at the first General Assembly taking place before the opening ceremony of the Poznań Congress in August 2020. The second General Assembly that will be convened before the closing ceremony will vote to choose the place of the next congress.

The candidates are now invited to submit a written proposal. They have to prepare a file dealing with the following requirements:

- A clear support and unambiguous support of the academic authorities.
- The support of the national or regional scientific organizations (regional education authorities, universities, etc.).
- The commitment of the administration of the city or the region where the Congress would be held.
- The commitment of universities or similar institutions to play a leading role in the organization of the Congress.
- The list of the members of the future organizing committee.

- The support of the other institutions of high education and research in the country.
- Sponsors' support.
- The support of the national committee of historians, member of ICHS, and – if possible – of International organizations members of the ICHS.
- The proof of a solid base of financing.
- The capacity to create a fund of support for historians' coming from developing countries.
- A solid organizational structure (real estate, accommodation facilities, secretariat, Human resources) and the capacity to mobilize volunteers, graduate or PhD students.
- The main lines of a program of professional visits and cultural excursions for the participants and/or the people accompanying the participants.
- The capacities of translation in the three official languages of ICHS.
- The innovations which could be presented during the congress and the reasons why the congress could offer to the participants and to ICHS a good return on investment.

The written proposals will be sent to all the members of the ICHS a few months before the Poznań Congress of 2020; the final choice belongs to the General Assembly, held during this Congress in August 2020.

Any questions about the application can be sent in a informal way to the ICHS Board through its General Secretary Catherine Horel: [secretairecish@gmail.com](mailto:secretairecish@gmail.com). The final version of the file will have to be sent **before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020** in two copies to:

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