International Congress of Aerospace Medicine

The three major Aviation and Space Medicine organisations, the International Academy of Aviation and Space Medicine (IAASM), the European Society of Aerospace Medicine (ESAM) and the Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA), propose to hold future joint congresses together in Europe. The likely interval between such congresses will be every two or four years from 2024 onwards.

The organisations believe that holding a joint congress embraces the best of each organisation and benefits the practice of Aviation and Space Medicine in Europe.

This document sets out information for potential hosts to facilitate a congress that is scientifically and socially successful.

Conference Programme

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Committee meetings will be held by IAASM and ESAM the day prior to and during the Congress.

**Financial Support**
The host should have the ability to offer financial support for a congress for 500-800 delegates, either directly or via sponsorship.

The three Aviation and Space Medicine organisations will share the financial cost and risk in a partnership arrangement with the local organising body; the local proposal is to be set out in the initial presentation.

**Administrative Support**
The host country will be expected to manage the operational elements of the Conference and provide the administrative secretariat but will have the expertise of the three Aviation and Space Medicine organisations to draw upon. In particular the Chair of the Academy’s Scientific Committee will assist the local Organising Committee with the scientific programming and abstract review.

Two representatives from each of the international organisations plus the local organising body will form an Organising Committee to provide guidance to the local Organising Committee.

**Location and Travel**
The location should be accessible by air, ideally close to a major hub airport and/or by road and rail.

The venue should be suitable for a scientific congress and affordable to keep registration fees reasonable.

There should be a range of accommodation available within a 10 minute walk or easily accessible by frequent and reliable public transport.

**Next Steps**
European aerospace medicine societies, civil or military aerospace medicine communities are invited to contact IAASM (secretary-general@iaasm.org) and ESAM (secretary@esam.aero) to discuss their proposal two to three years in advance.

The potential host will be asked to present their proposal to the three
organisations in the form of an oral presentation with the opportunity for questions either in person in association with an Aviation and Space Medicine meeting or virtually.

A decision on the venue will be made shortly thereafter.

Thank you for your interest in hosting an International Congress of Aerospace Medicine.

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