

ICA Newsletter Issue 1, July 2010 Call for symposia

Welcome to the first ICA Newsletter from the Organizing Committee of the 54 International Congress of Americanists – 54 ICA.

The 54 ICA will be held 15 – 20 July 2012 in Vienna, hosted by the University of Vienna, the Austrian Latin America Institute, and the Museum of Ethnology. With its general theme ***Building Dialogues in the Americas***, the congress seeks to transcend disciplinary boundaries and foster dialogue between epistemic communities. Against the backdrop of Vienna's lively cultural and academic landscape, the 54 ICA promotes exchange and self-reflection among scholars working on all regions and thematic aspects of the Americas.

In this edition, we invite you to join us for the 54 ICA and direct your attention to the important and upcoming symposia submission deadline. We also enclose a useful summary of upcoming deadlines for all participants.

If you are having difficulty viewing this newsletter, a PDF version of the newsletter has been archived on the ICA website at <http://ica2012.univie.ac.at>.

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CALL FOR SYMPOSIA

54 International Congress of Americanists

Vienna, Austria

15-20 July 2012

The Organizing Committee invites members of the academic community to participate in the 54 ICA to be held in Vienna, Austria, in July 2012.

The theme chosen for the 54 ICA is **BUILDING DIALOGUES IN THE AMERICAS**.

Americanist scholarship is marked by a vibrant diversity of ontological, epistemological, and methodological questions. Since its inception, Americanists have gathered at ICA meetings to discuss empirical and normative scholarship, liberal and conservative politics, positivist and post-positivist perspectives, as well as activists and theoretical approaches, among other things. While these specializations often have been artificially separated, we aim to facilitate sharing of insights, questions, methods and viewpoints that could foster dynamic dialogues.

We want to promote self-reflection and encourage trans-disciplinary dialogues. Henceforth, we invite proposals for symposia that emphasize conjunctions between disciplines, subfields, theories and methods.

For this purpose, we ask scholars to submit symposia proposals to one of the following thematic areas:

- Archeology
- Cultural Studies
- Economics
- Educational Studies
- Gender Studies
- History
- Human Rights
- Linguistics, Literature and Media
- Philosophy

- Biological Anthropology
- Politics and State Transformation
- Postcolonial Studies
- Religious Studies
- Social and Cultural Anthropology
- Socio-Ecological Crisis
- Environmental and Resource Politics.

Within the framework of these thematic areas, we invite colleagues to submit their proposals according to the guidelines listed below.

Congress Proposals and Guidelines for Participants

The Congress program will be organized in two steps.

From **July 2010 until 15 December 2010**, proposals for symposia will be received via the online form. Symposium proposals need to name the title of the symposium (with an abstract) and the corresponding thematic area, name one or two conveners, and suggest three to five papers to be included.

In **April 2011**, the pre-approved symposia will be published in the **Preliminary Program** on the ICA website. A **Call for Papers** within the pre-approved symposia will be open from **15 April 2011 until 31 August 2011**. Symposia conveners will decide about acceptance of papers. The Organizing Committee will notify presenters during **October 2011**.

In order to be part of the final program, all symposium conveners and paper presenters need to **register** and pay the Congress fee by **31 March 2012**.

We have posted the **Guidelines for Participants** at

<http://ica2012.univie.ac.at/calls/guidelines/>

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF SYMPOSIA PROPOSALS: 15 DECEMBER 2010

All proposals have to be submitted using the online form. Detailed information about the thematic areas is available at <http://ica2012.univie.ac.at/congress-theme/thematic-areas/>.

CONTACT

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For inquiries regarding registration and hotel booking, please contact the event management at the University of Vienna: congress@univie.ac.at

For inquiries regarding the Congress in general and administrative matters, please contact:
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DATES AND DEADLINES

July 2010	Call for symposia opens
15 December 2010	Deadline for online symposia submissions
March 2011	Acceptance of symposia and notification letters
15 April 2011	Call for papers opens
31 August 2011	Deadline for online submission of papers
October 2011	Acceptance of papers and notification letters
30 November 2011	Early registration closes
31 March 2012	Regular registration closes Deadline for participants' registration
30 April 2012	Deadline for withdrawals – 75% cancellation fee after this date
15 July 2012	54 ICA begins
20 July 2012	54 ICA ends

PARTICIPANT CATEGORIES AND REGISTRATION FEES

All participants, including symposia conveners, presenters, registered participants and students, are entitled to the following:

- Participation in all academic activities of the Congress
- Participation in the Opening Event at the Vienna Concert Hall
- To act as a member of the General Assembly
- To receive information and congress related material (congress bag, scientific program, USB stick with abstracts and additional information regarding the congress)
- To enjoy coffee breaks
- To use public transport in the City of Vienna during the congress free of charge
- Free entrance to the Museum of Ethnology during the congress
- Certificate of attendance

Accompanying Persons

Accompanying Persons must be registered as such by a participant, using the online registration form. They are entitled to attend symposia and plenary lectures and the Opening Event at the Vienna Concert Hall.

Registration Fees

Registration	Participants with Paper/without paper	Students	Accompanying Persons
Early Registration: Until 30 November 2011	€190,--	€130,--	€80,--
Regular Registration: 1 December 2011 to 31 March 2012	€230,--	€150,--	€90,--
Late/Onsite Registration: 1 April 2012 to 20 July 2012	€250,--	€170,--	€100,--

Additional social events will be opened for separate booking soon.

Cancellation policy

If you are registered but unable to attend the congress, the following cancellation policy applies:

Cancellations before 30 April 2012: paid registration fees will be fully refunded.

Cancellations after 30 April 2012 are subject to 75% cancellation fees. Cancellations must be submitted in writing (congress@univie.ac.at).

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