

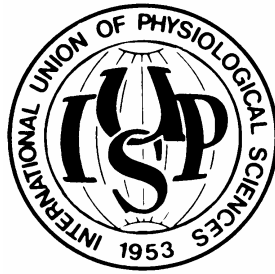
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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I would like to express my cordial gratitude to you all for your friendly support to IUPS2009 Kyoto.

The International Scientific Program Committee (ISPC) for IUPS2009 Kyoto is going to initiate the process of "Call for Symposia Proposal" on February 19, 2007 Japan time. Attached is the detailed explanation for the process of call and selection. The same document can be found on the congress web site (<http://www.iups2009.com/>).

I would appreciate it very much if you could inform your colleagues of this and encourage active submission of proposals. The deadline for applications is June 18, 2007 Japan time.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and attractive applications.

Sincerely yours,

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Announcement of “Call for Symposia Proposals”

With this message we announce the “Call for symposia” proposals for IUPS2009 in Kyoto. The international scientific program committee (ISPC) for IUPS2009 will select 42 symposia from among the proposals submitted, and submissions from all over the world are very much encouraged.

Each symposium will last 2.5 hours: 2 hours for 4-5 speakers to be proposed by the organizers, and 0.5 hour for 2-3 speakers selected by the organizers from among the abstracts for contributed papers submitted in October - December 2008.

Each proposal should include the following information and be submitted directly to the Congress website. (<https://www3.convention.co.jp/iups2009/sympo/index.php>)

- (1) Title of the symposium
- (2) 2 organizers: name, institution address and email address
- (3) 4-5 speakers: name, institution address, email address and tentative presentation title
- (4) Aim, focus and significance of the symposium in 500 words or less.
- (5) Category: please select one category from the list: <http://www.iups2009.com/0240/categories.pdf>.
- (6) Key words: please select up to five key words from the list. If not found on the list, new key words may be submitted. <http://www.iups2009.com/0240/keywords.pdf>

Note 1: Each symposium will be supported with up to 300,000 yen (~ US\$2,600) to partially cover the travel and accommodation costs of the invited speakers. If no financial support is required, please clearly note this in the proposal. To ensure uniformity, fairness, and equity in distribution of this financial support, all decisions on fund allocations will be made by the ISPC. Organizers who will not also be speakers will not be eligible for this support.

Note 2: The evaluation of the applications will be made by the IPSC with the final selection made at the time of their meeting in December 2007; notification will be made by March 2008.

Note 3: The ISPC will do its best to respect the submitted plan of the organizers. However, there could be cases that modifications might be requested, e.g. by merging two similar proposals or by omitting a certain speaker who might prove to be redundant in terms of other proposal(s).

Note 4: Speakers should be selected from among the leading researchers worldwide in the subject area of the symposium. In addition, speaker lists should be developed keeping in mind goals of gender equity and diversity of speaker nationalities.

Note 5: The call for Satellite Symposium proposals can be found on the website under the heading Scientific Program.

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